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Britain Curbs **新聞報報報** Its Security In Ulster as Truce Holds

Gore Tells Irish Leader Of High U.S. Priority On the Peace Initiative

> By John Darnton New York Times Service

BELPAST — Security operations have been somewhat scaled down in Northern Ireland after a week in which the Irish Republican Army has stuck to its unconditional cease-fire, the senior British representative in the province confirmed Wednesday.

Sir Patrick Mayhew, secretary of state for Northern Ireland, said in reply to a question from a reporter that commanders of the 18,000 British troops and 13,000 police in the Royal Ulster Constabulary had relaxed certain security procedures in response to what they saw as "a reduced

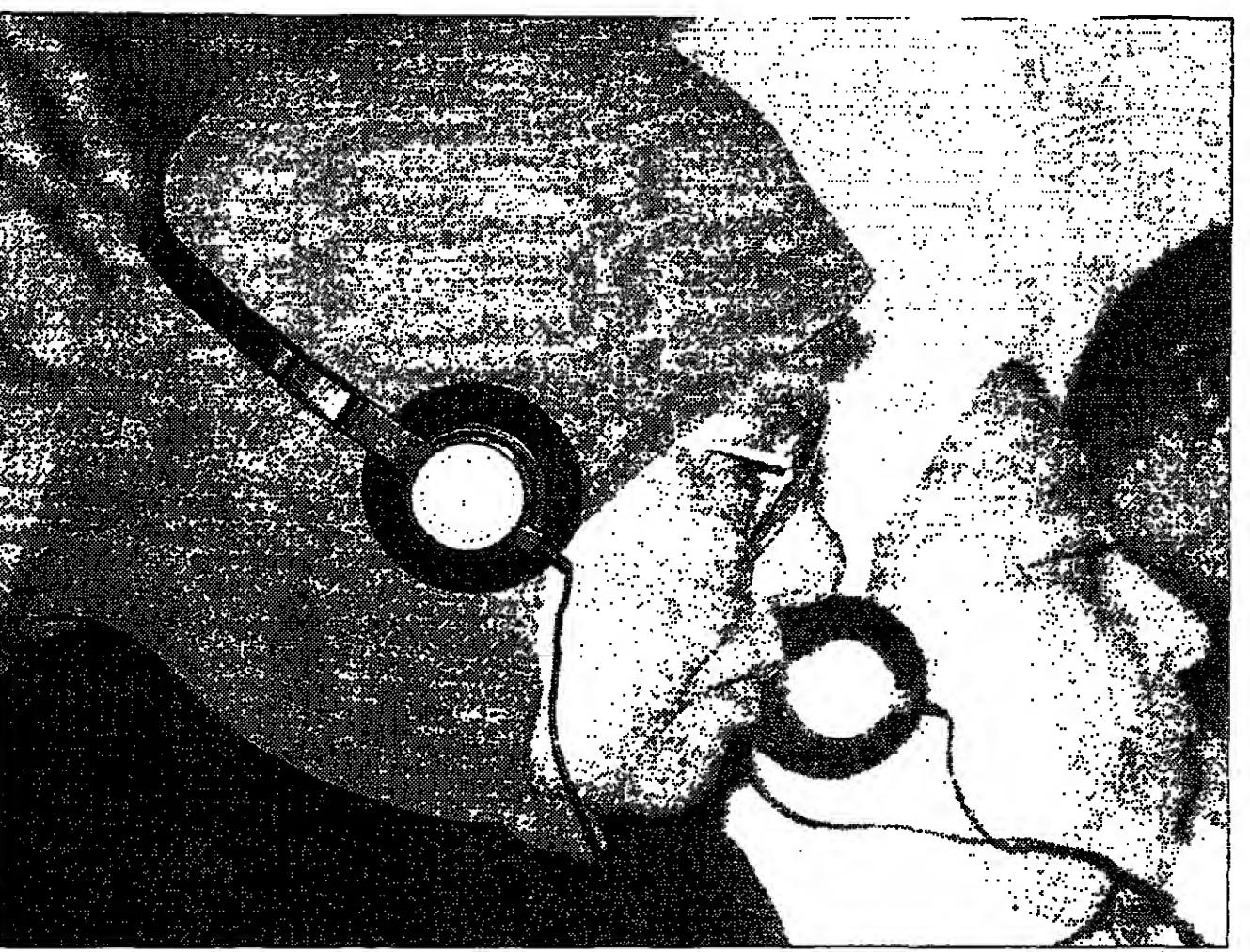
whe factors and the An example that he cited was largely symbolic: British soldiers' switching from helmets to berets for street patrols through hostile neighborhoods. But residents noted that vehicular checkpoints around Cathothe name of the lic and Protestant areas of West Belfast had also disappeared in recent days.

And a sight that was jarring to outsiders but had become as familiar to those here as rain clouds over the skyline had all but gone: the green-and-brown-speckled armored personnel carriers moving ominously down streets with guns swiveling, manned by soldiers whose darting eyes peered through thick plastic shields.

The U.S. vice president, Al Gore, stopping off at the Shannon airport in Ireland on his way back from the world population conference in Cairo, was briefed by the . Irish prime minister, Albert Reynolds. Afterward, he said the peace initiative was at the very top of Washington's foreign policy agenda.

Mr. Gore refrained from criticizing the British prime minister, John Major, for his insistence upon clarification of the IRA declaration, and both U.S. and Irish officials sought to play down any differences

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Two Egyptian women in Islamic dress listening to a speech Wednesday at the UN population conference in Cairo.

Latin Recovery Passes the Poor By

By Nathaniel C. Nash New York Times Service

PENALOLEN, Chile - The muchhailed economic recovery in almost all of Latin America has politicians and government economists preaching the benefits of open markets, privatization, fiscal discipline and deregulation.

It would seem they have good reason. Having put aside the politics of protected markets and nationalism, and welcomed vast new foreign investment, the region's economies are expected to grow an estimated 3 percent this year. That would be the fourth consecutive year of such growth, the most robust economic

expansion in Latin America in decades. But if things are so rosy, why did peasants rise up this year in southern Mexico? Why has Venezuela had two coup attempts and continued unrest? Why have Bolivian workers staged national strikes? And why, in Argentina. considered a stellar example of economic transformation, did workers burn a pro-

vincial government building last Decem-

ber and march on the capital this sum-

Bernardo Ruz, a 22-year-old electrician living in this Chilean shantytown outside Santiago, the capital, has one explanation.

"The rich are making a lot of money, but we're not." he said.

"There are a lot of fancy buildings that have been built, making the big businessgot jobs for a while, but that is over. I haven't had work in months and everything is now more expensive. We've forgotten what meat tastes like."

Indeed, for all the benefits of Latin America's new economics — the revamping of industry, the new jobs, the controlling of inflation, the stabilization of currencies and the relatively stable See LATIN, Page 3

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Pope's Cancellation Leaves Insecure Sarajevo in Limbo

Renato R. Martino, the Holy See's dele-

Vatican Stalls Debate On Role of Abortion

Move Takes Delegates by Surprise; Host Nation, Egypt, Assails Tactic

By Barbara Crossette New York Times Service

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CAIRO — In an unexpected maneuver that angered many official delegates to the United Nations population conference and representatives of nongovernmental organizations, the Vatican on Wednesday managed to forestall for two more days any debate over how to deal with abortion in a plan to stabilize world population over the coming decades.

The Vatican maneuver, which in effect reopened an unproductive discussion on language used in only one paragraph of a 113-page document, brought sharp condemnation from Egypt, the conference host. Delegates from several nations withdrew into private meetings to try to find a way to force the issue back onto the conference floor.

"Does the Vatican rule the world?" asked Egypt's population minister, Maher Mahran, speaking at a press conference Wednesday morning shortly after discussion on the agreement was derailed by new objections from a group of Latin American nations. "We respect the Vatican. We respect the Pope. But if they are not going to negotiate, why did they come?"

The Vatican's willingness to hold an international forum to ransom to make a point on abortion has isolated it from several large Islamic nations, including Indonesia, Iran and Pakistan, as well as Egypt — leaving only a few independent conservative voices, and Afghanistan, in opposition on the margins of the Conference on Population and Development, scheduled to end Tuesday.

At the same time, right-to-life groups and Islamic radicals have stepped up psychological pressure on those attending the conference by displaying graphic illustrations of fetuses or monopolizing microphones at press conferences and seminars, participants reported.

The Vatican restated its concerns about the direction the conference was taking in an address Wednesday by Archbishop gate to the United Nations. He not only condemned abortion and contraception but also sought to ally the Vatican with Third World demands for more equitable sharing of global wealth and technology. He drew a connection between "permis siveness" and the abuse of women, and suggested that many family planning programs were coercive and harmful.

The Vatican's tactics provoked questions from a range of nongovernmental groups, which claim to be closer to the populations of Roman Catholic countries than the Vatican, about the fate of forth-

Overpopulation is a relatively recent worry. • A fixation on sons makes family planning difficult in many Third World nations. Page 5.

coming United Nations conferences on social and economic topics, including a gathering on the role of women scheduled for next September in Beijing.

"How come this is the only religion with a permanent observer seat at the UN?" Frances Kissling, the president of Catholics for Free Choice, asked at a press conference Wednesday. "How come we don't finally stand up and say we're not talking about abortion. We're not talking about family planning. We're talking about the role of women in church and state."

Timothy E. Wirth, undersecretary of state for global affairs and leader of the United States' delegation, said Wednesday night that this was "a time of respectful disagreement."

He acknowledged that the Americans believed on Tuesday night that the conference was close to an accord on a paragraph that dealt with the dangers of unsafe abortions as a public health matter. Agreement on that paragraph was holding up consideration of other sections of the conference's action plan still in dispute.

Rachel Kyte, a political analyst for the International Women's Health Coalition, a New York organization that assists wornen's health groups and clinics worldwide,

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Blasts Level Moscow Police Station

MOSCOW (Reuters) — Several people were killed and many others injured when three explosions ripped through a police station in Moscow on Wednesday, reducing it to rubble.

The Emergencies Ministry said initially that at least 10 people were killed when the two-story building in the eastern district of Vykhino collapsed following the blasts. News agencies and Russian television later reported that the death toll stood at six but said several people were critically injured. Several hours after the blast, firemen were still tearing at the wreckage to free

casualties who could be heard groaning. Witnesses said three explosions, two of them very powerful, tore through the building. A spokesman for the Emergencies Ministry had no immediate information as to what might have caused the blasts.

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By Roger Cohen New York Times Service

SARAJEVO. Bosnia-Herzegovina -The cancellation of Pope John Paul II's visit to Sarajevo underscores the continuing limbo of insecurity in which the Bosnian capital lives, and the failure of the United States and its partners to carry out threats of tough action against the Bosnian Serbs.

It is more than six weeks since the Clinton administration and its partners in the so-called contact group - Russia, Britain. France and Germany — presented a takeit-or-leave-it proposal for a settlement in Bosnia that was supposed to lead to severe punishment for any party rejecting it.
The Bosnian Serbs, who surround Sara-

jevo and hold 70 percent of Bosnian territory, stalled briefly and then dismissed the settlement, which offered them 49 percent

of Bosnia, as ludicrous. Their rebuttal has been met by silence.

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division, disarray and embarrassed inaction, responses that the contact group was formed to avoid.

"Given the fact that a month and a half has gone by without any action, the outlook for the contact group has to be rather pessimistic," a U.S. official said. "But we are trying hard to hold it together."

The Bosnian Serbs' rejection was supposed to lead quickly to tighter trade sanc-

tions on Serbia, a stricter enforcement by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization of the weapons-exclusion zones around Sarajevo and Gorazde and the establishment of similar areas around other Muslim-held towns. But nothing has happened.

Just before the Pope postponed his Sarajevo trip, the Serbs fired several artillery rounds from the area around Sarajevo that is supposed to be free of heavy weapons, exactly the kind of provocation that the United States and its partners had promised to punish.

[The United Nations suspended its humanitarian airlift into Sarajevo on Wednesday after at least one UN aircraft was hit by small arms fire at the airport Tuesday, Reuters said.

[A spokesman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees said: "This comes after a string of incidents in July and August that frequently interrupted the airlift. Sarajevo's cupboards are bare and we will resume aid flights as soon as conditions permit."]

Problems have also arisen within the contact group. For example, the idea of tougher trade sanctions on Serbia was thrown into confusion when the republic's president, Slobodan Milosevic, imposed his own embargo against the Bosnian Serbs in an effort to persuade them to accept the peace plan.

Now Russia is pressing for sanctions on See POPE, Page 4

Pockets of New Prosperity Dot the Old East Germany

By Rick Atkinson Washington Post Service

GRIMMA, Germany - An East German by birth and a roofer by trade, Peter-Michael Elsner these days is as prosperous, driven and overstressed as any workaholic West German. He toils 16 hours a day, often seven days

a week. He grouses about long hours and high prices and skinflint customers. He bemoans the difficulty in finding good

He owns a new house and a couple of rental properties. For relaxation, he pilots a Cessna. He is learning English because English is the language of commerce in the new Europe.

Taking a rare weekend off this summer. he flew to Chicago to watch the German soccer team in the World Cup. And, in a backhanded tribute to Mr. Elsner's affluence, a thief recently stole his new Mercedes-Benz.

Palmy days are here again in the former East Germany, at least for a growing segment of the region's 16 million residents. Pockets of prosperity have taken firm root. nurtured with Eastern enterprise and Western money, giving rise to a vision of an East that in a decade or so will be largely indistinguishable from the West. Peter-Michael Elsner is one of those East Germans who have made it.

Five years ago, on the eve of Communism's collapse, Mr. Elsner employed 10 people and booked \$640,000 in annual

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business. Today, at the age of 45, he has 300 workers on the payroll, five branch offices and \$32 million in job orders. Although the stacks of slate and shingles outside his office window imply Mr. Elsner builds only roofs, what he and thousands of entrepreneurs like him are really making is the proverbial light at the end of the tunnel in Eastern Germany.

"A lot of things have gotten better in the East since the Wall fell," he told a recent visitor to the Elsner Roofing compound in Grimma, a few kilometers outside the southeastern city of Leipzig. "Not everything was crap in the old days, but most of

"There was no way I could have built up my company in East Germany like I've been able to since '89," he continued. "I don't want the old times back. I'd shoot myself first."

This "robust recovery period," as the Institute for Economic Research in nearby Halle calls it, is by no means universal. Unemployment in the East remains 17 percent. Large-scale manufacturing is moribund. A half-century of Soviet occupation and state-dictated socialism have left a detritus of physical dilapidation and mental disquiet.

At this juncture on the long road since German reunification, the country is not so much one as three: the well-heeled West, which created the world's third-largest economy; the emerging East, with boom towns in Leipzig, Dresden, eastern Berlin and elsewhere, and the hardscrabble East, where genuine prosperity remains a distant rumor.

Yet signs of rejuvenation are as evident as the forest of construction cranes now looming over so many Eastern cities. Wages are rising, and living standards continue to climb. An estimated 75 percent of all Eastern homes have freezers, half bave video recorders, almost 20 percent have personal computers. In the West, a nasty recession has been succeeded by a modest

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Oskar Lafontaine, left, the last Social Democratic candidate, talking to the party's current nominee, Mr. Scharping.

Back on Top, Kohl Relishes the Campaign

By Stephen Kinzer New York Times Service

BERLIN — An explosion of cheers and applause burst from the crowd as Chancelfor Helmut Kohl strode toward the podium to address a campaign rally in Potsdam. As always, his speech was full of enthusiasm and optimism.

"The landscape here in the East is beginning to bloom, and if it takes four or live years longer than we had hoped, that means nothing in the sweep of history," he cried out in his booming baritone. "Germany is free, Germany is united and Germany has a great economic and social

future." Things are going so well for Mr. Kohl that he felt compelled to warn his supporters against complacency.

"Elections are not won by opinion polls, but on Election Day," he reminded them. "What you are reading and hearing now are just reports. Your vote is what de-

Mr. Kohl has every reason to be jubilant. With the federal election less than six weeks away, he appears to be riding toward a victory that only a few months ago seemed atterly beyond his reach.

The Forsa public-opinion poll, which tracks voter sentiment on a week-to-week basis, showed the chancellor trailing his Social Democratic opponent. Rudolf Scharping, every week until mid-May, Pol-

iticians and commentators were almost unanimous in pronouncing Mr. Kohl politically dead. Suddenly, however, the numbers shifted

dramatically. With the campaign heading into its final phase, the latest Forsa poll showed Mr. Kohl with a commanding 13point lead. Many stunned Social Democrats now

say they can take power in October only if Mr. Kohl's coalition partners, the Free Democrats, fail to win the minimum vote to qualify for representation in Parliament. Mr. Scharping has a reputation as a

serious thinker with a deep grasp of com-See KOHL, Page 4

Malaysia Lifts **Ban on Contracts** With U.K. Firms

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

KUALA LUMPUR - Malaysia on Wednesday lifted a ban on awarding government contracts to British firms, ending a seven-month dispute.

In London, a spokesman for Prime Minister John Major said Mr. Major would be pleased with the news.

Prime Minister Mahathir bin Mohamad imposed the ban on Feb. 25 after British media reports alleged that senior Malaysian politicians were taking bribes to award government contracts to British businesses.

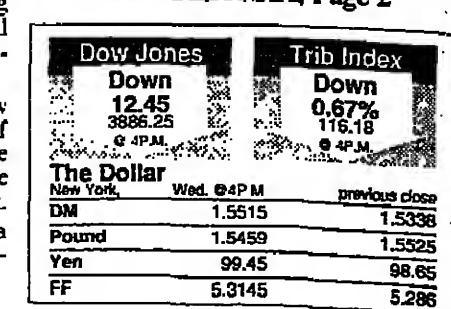
But recently, government officials, including Mr. Mahathir, appeared to have softened their stand.

In announcing the lifting of the ban, Deputy Prime Minister Anwar bin Ibrahim said that British bids for official contracts would now be considered on the basis of "competitiveness, price and ability in terms of tangible expertise,"

Mr. Anwar said that Malaysia had sought no assurances from the British government or media in its decision to end the

Private companies in Malaysia have been allowed to continue their business with British companies, but the ban on government contracts had soured relations between the two countries.

In recent months. Britain sent at least nine trade missions to Malaysia in an at-See MALAYSIA, Page 2



Major Rejects Plan For 2-Tier Europe, Kohl Stays on Fence

LEIDEN, Netherlands — Prime Minister John Major of Britain ruled out Wednesday the idea of a two-tier European Union floated by Germany's Christian Democrats last week.

But in Bonn, Chancellor Helmut Kohl said that Germany would remain the motor of closer integration in the European Union and that it did not want progress to be held up by the "slowest ship in the convoy."

Mr. Major, making a keynote speech on the future of the 12nation bloc in the Dutch town of Leiden, said, "I see a real danger in talk of a 'hard core,' inner and outer circles, a two-

tier Europe. "No member state should be excluded from an area of policy in which it wants and is qualified to participate," he said.

Mr. Major welcomed German and French proposals to make the Union more flexible and diverse, saying, "It seems to me perfectly healthy for all member states to agree that some should integrate more closely or more quickly in certain areas."

But he added, "To choose not to participate is one thing. To be prevented from doing so is quite another — and likely to lead to the sort of damaging divisions which, above all, we must avoid."

"There is not, and should never be, an exclusive hard core either of countries or policies." he said.

Before the European elections in May, Mr. Major rallied

defense.

EU in security affairs.

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A British trade minister,

tempt to persuade the govern-

Richard Needham, had carried

a personal letter from Mr. Ma-

jor to Mr. Mahathir, pressing

his Malaysian counterpart to

But Mr. Mahathir had re-

At the height of the contro-

versy, Malaysia's government

was under pressure from within

the governing party to widen

the ban to a trade boycott with

The Malaysian government

had said it had been particular-

ly incensed by a report in the

Sunday Times of London on

Feb. 20 alleging links between

Mr. Mahathir and a British

construction firm, Wimpey In-

objected to a press and parlia-

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Balladur Seeks to Assure

Small Nations of EU Role

By Joseph Fitchett

International Herald Tribune

vision of Europe neglects smaller countries. Prime Minister

Edouard Balladur of France said Wednesday that leadership

in a developing European Union should be assumed by any

grouping of countries ready to move ahead in a particular

field, from monetary union to common foreign policy or

He described the EU's likely future organization as several

overlapping circles of nations, each likely to comprise differ-

ent sets of countries. For example, if Britain opted out of a

single currency, it could nonetheless be a policymaker for the

Mr. Balladur, speaking to reporters, left no doubt among

Mr. Balladur's emphasis on Europe's need for flexibility -

his listeners that France saw a pivotal place for itself as a

member in all the decision-making core groups of EU nations.

and not another inflexible arrangement based on a hard core

of countries with similar economic situations — also served to

underline France's special position as the leading advocate of

And his thinking clearly gives pride of place to the French-

German duo as the force that can bring about a powerful

Europe, although his vision is phrased in broader, more

accommodating terms than a controversial economic-cen-

Mr. Balladur took pains to distance himself from that hard-

Mr. Balladur's formula could help defuse complaints from

smaller countries that they would be relegated to second-class

status if France and Germany pushed ahead with monetary

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edge approach, mainly by stressing the disparity in tone.

union, making it the main criterion of European unity.

stronger defense commitments by European countries.

tered plan that surfaced last week in Germany.

PARIS — Seeking to dispel impressions that France's

his divided Conservative Party with a call for a multispeed Europe, but officials expressed concern this week that France and Germany wanted to push Britain to the outer rim of the Union.

Mr. Kohl, addressing the Parliament in Bonn, explicitly avoided either supporting or rejecting his party's proposals, saying it was "perfectly all right" for politicians to present ideas about Europe's future.

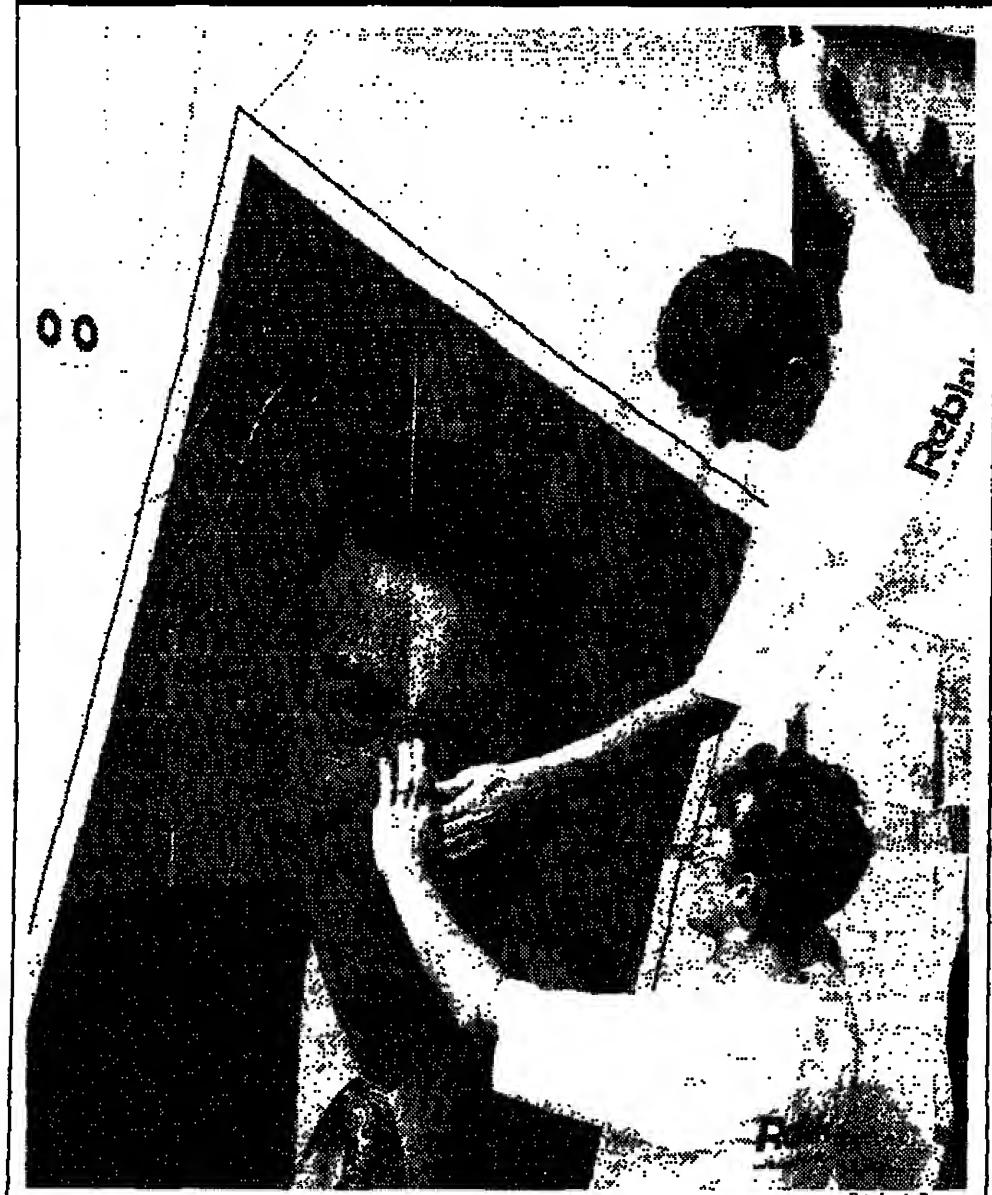
But he said Germany did not want the Union to be a glorified free trade zone. "We were and remain the motor of developments" in Europe, he said.

"We want political union in Europe," he said. "That is our goal. We do not under any circumstances want the slowest ship in the convoy to stop developments in Europe. We want progress to be made."

Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel, making a fresh attempt to soothe ruffled feelings in other European capitals, again dismissed the Christian Democratic proposals, saying the Union could not be split into first-class and second-class members.

Referring to the close ties between Bonn and Paris, the Free Democrat said: "I would like to underline very clearly that no one has any intention of mak-

ing a directorate out of this." "Europe cannot thrive on Franco-German shoulders alone," he said. "Without the contributions of the others, especially of Britain, Spain or Italy, nothing can come of Europe-



Petr Joseph Reusers COUNTDOWN — Workers in Bratislava putting up a poster of Vladimir Meciar, opposition party leader of Slovakia. Elections are set for Sept. 30-Oct. 1.

U.S.-Russian Exercises Hailed

Grachev Looks to Bigger Things in America Next Year

By Fred Hiatt Washington Past Service

TOTSKOYE TESTING GROUND, Russia — Defense Minister Pavel S. Grachev said Wednesday that he planed to send 500 Russian soldiers to the United States for a joint military exercise next year, after what he called the success of the first such operation here this

General Grachev flatly rejected criticism from Russian nationalists opposed to working more closely with the U.S. military and brushed aside doubts from lower-ranking Russian officers. He said the scale of next year's training should be about twice that of the current exercise and that "even more" soldiers should participate together in Russia the following year.

About 250 American soldiers, operating for the first time ever in Russia's heartland, concluded the principal part of their joint exercise with the Russian Army, aimed at improving peacekeeping opera-

The soldiers of the U.S. 3d Infantry Division, based in Germany, and the Russian 27th Guard Motorized Rifle Division, which not long ago was

then begin to pull out.

Major General Leonard D. Holder Jr., who shared command of the operation with his Russian counterpart, said the "operations have proceeded successfully.

General Grachev called the exercise "deeply symbolic" and a "vivid example of new relations" between the two coun- said.

Many Russian Communists and nationalists have felt differently, attacking the joint exercise as the first step in an American plot to invade Russia and take advantage of its weakness. President Boris N. Yeltsin,

bowing to nationalist opposition, was forced last spring to some aspects of the operation. Pope canceled his visit, Mr. postpone the historic exercise, but he said that overall he had Izetbegovic said Mr. Akashi originally scheduled for July. General Grachev's proposal to mark. expand joint peacekeeping training is likely to arouse more But the defense minister at-

tacked those seeking to rekindle Cold War-style confrontation, saying the Iron Curtain had ble. only caused Russia to fall years behind the developed world.

General Grachev also said it was symbolic that the first U.S.- it was "necessary and useful" to Russian exercise took place in conduct more exercises, and on

der in East Germany, are sched- Steppe 1,100 kilometers (700 uled to play sports and hold miles) southeast of Moscow, picnics at the garrison here where in 1954 the Soviet Union Thursday. The Americans will exploded an above-ground nuclear bomb, with many soldiers and civilians nearby. This "barbaric act, "General Grachev said, envisioned "the future destruction of humanity."

■ Bosnian Reaction Bitter "Now, 40 years later, we are conducting a peacekeeping exercise at the very same site, with York Times reported from Sarathe aim that such a monstrous jevo: thing won't happen again," he

In a scene that struck many Cold War veterans as improbable. General Grachev, a former paratrooper and Afghan war veteran, played the role of professor as General Holder acted as student and reported on the the Pope. peacekeeping exercise. The defense minister found fault with given General Holder "a solid

Before General Grachev's ar- that his government would like rival, American and Russian ofto see him replaced. ficers said that the timing and scale of any follow-up exercise man for Mr. Akashi, said that remained in doubt, in part because of Russia's financial trou-

But General Grachev swept aside such caution, saying this week's experience showed that

WORLD BRIEFS

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U.K. Moves

Of Bosnia

Embargo

By William E. Schmidt

New York Times Service LONDON - Foreign Secre-

tary Douglas Hurd opened a

tions-backed embargo on arms

shipments to the Muslim gov-

jected by 96 percent of the Bos-

In an interview in London,

peacekeeping troops from Bos-

nia-Herzegovina if a proposal

being considered by the Clinton

administration succeeds in

troops, the United Nations

troops, are not mandated and

they are not equipped to act as

allies for one side in a civil

war," said Mr. Hurd, arguing

that they would be seen to be

siding with the Muslims if the

If the Bosnian Serbian lead-

ers fail by Oct. 15 to accept the

partition plan devised by the

so-called "contact group" of the

United States, Russia, Britain,

France and Germany — the

Clinton administration has said

it intends to ask the UN Securi-

ty Council to lift the arms em-

Mr. Hurd would not say

whether Britain would veto the

U.S. proposal in the Security

Council. But he said he had

been working closely with Sec-

retary of State Warren M.

Christopher. "We are very anx-

ious, I think, to keep the contact

Roger Cohen of The New

The Bosnian president, Alija

Izetbegovic, on Wednesday ac-

cused the top UN official in the

former Yugoslavia, Yasushi

Akashi, of sabotaging the

planned visit to Sarajevo of

Pope John Paul II by exaggerat-

ing the dangers and deceiving

In an unusually bitter public

attack, made the day after the

had shown consistent hostility

toward Bosnia and declared

Michael Williams, a spokes-

the letter had laid out the po-

tential dangers of coming to Sa-

rajevo. But he added: "We did

not make a recommendation to

the Pope. I deny that categori-

cally. An assessment was made.

What would you do if your

mother said she was going

joint effort going," he said.

embargo were lifted.

"Our troops and French

overturning the embargo.

nian Serbs in a referendum.

ernment in Sarajevo.

TIRANA, Albania (Reuters) — An Albanian court convicted five ethnic Greeks on Wednesday of spying for Greece and sentenced them to between six and eight years in jail, provoking an angry response from Athens.

The Greek government announced that it was recalling its ambassador in Tirana and would protest the convictions to the United Nations and European Union.

Tensions between Greece and Albania reached new highs after the trial began in mid-August, despite pleas for dialogue from the United States and Russia, which want to avoid another crisis in the volatile Balkans region.

Algeria Puts Toll in Strife at 10,000

new diplomatic offensive on Wednesday aimed at blocking TUNIS (Reuters) — President Liamine Zeroual of Algeria, seeking a negotiated settlement to civil strife, has acknowledged to proposals by the United States and others to lift a United Naopposition parties that the violence of the last two and a half years has cost about 10,000 lives, far more than have been officially.

Conflict between the army-backed authorities and Islamic-Instead, Mr. Hurd urged the fundamentalists has caused damage estimated at \$2 billion, the. United States to give more time president told the party leaders. The figures were published by the to efforts to put pressure on the National Liberation Front two days after its secretary-general. Bosnian Serbs to accept an in-Abdelhamid Mehri, took part in a meeting with Mr. Zeroual.

The authorities have reported about 4,000 deaths in attacks and ternational plan for dividing Bosnia, even though it was re-

clashes since a multiparty parliamentary election that Muslim-fundamentalists were on the brink of winning when it was: abruptly scrapped in early 1992.

Mr. Hurd repeated warnings that Britain and France would Nigerian May Resign Over Decrees almost surely withdraw their

LAGOS (Reuters) - Nigeria's minister of justice has disowned. recent decrees by the military government that "sweep away our liberties" and has threatened to resign. The new laws, which, became public knowledge Tuesday, give the military rulers wide. powers of arrest in their battle against democracy campaigners, and bar any challenge to their actions through the courts.

Justice Minister and Attorney General Olu Onagoruwa, a prodemocracy campaigner himself until he was recruited into the government by General Sani Abacha, said at a news conference Wednesday that he had had nothing to do with to new decrees. He said laws were supposed to be made by the Provisional Ruling. Council, of which he is a member, and drafted by the Ministry of Justice but that these procedures had been bypassed.

24 Detained by Palestinian Police

GAZA CITY (AP) — In its biggest confrontation yet with Muslim extremists, Palestinian police detained 24 more people. Wednesday in the Gaza Strip, bringing the total in the two-dayarrest sweep to 45.

Those arrested were activists in Islamic Jihad, a Muslim extremist faction that has pledged to continue attacks on Israelis to derail the accord on Palestinian autonomy. Islamic Jihad has claimed responsibility for a roadside ambush Sunday in Gaza that left one Israeli soldier dead and two wounded.

Correction

Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao of India and Do Muoi, Vietnam's Communist Party general secretary, were incorrectly identified in a photo caption as each other in some editions Wednesday. group going, and to keep the

TRAVEL UPDATE

South African Tourism Is Booming

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — The number of foreign tourists visiting South Africa now that apartheid is gone is soaring despite a crime wave, industrial unrest and the image of anarchy. and violence elsewhere on the continent.

"As long as nothing drastic happens on the political front, we are in for a good year," said Chris du Toit, executive director of the Association of Southern African Travel Agents. "But it is a volatile situation. Crime and strikes here don't stop people coming, but if you have a political incident, like a bombing, then you get big cancellations."

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Despite the problems, including a wave of strikes by workers seeking the better life promised by President Nelson Mandela, tour operators have sold all their South African vacation packages until the end of the year, he said. The South African Tourism Board said it hoped for a 10 percent increase this year from the 3.2° million visitors who came to South Africa in 1993.

Greece's airport staff unions have postponed a one-day nationwide strike scheduled for Friday. Air transportation is already laboring under long delays caused by an air traffic controllers" work-to-rule protest. Swissair is halting flights between Algeria and Switzerland

because of threats to foreigners. Hilton International, in a joint venture with a property develop-

ment company in Northern Ireland, will build a 187-room botel in.

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PARIS — President François serve out his term of office, which ends in May 1995, despite his prostate cancer.

An Anglo-Japanese consortium, involving the British firms Balfour Beatty Ltd., General Electric Co. and Trafalgar House PLC and Japan's Marubeni Corp., had been awarded the contract to build the airport

but was subsequently dropped after the ban. The government later announced that it had short-listed 10 international groups to undertake the project with local

Mr. Anwar said that Malaysia had sought no assurances from the British government or media in its decision to end the Kelantan State and the govern-(AFP, AP, Reuters)

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He'll Finish Term Despite Cancer The ban cost British busi-

Mitterrand says he expects to But in an interview with Le

Figaro to be published Thursday, the Socialist head of state also said he might have only a few months left to live and was philosophical about his own

"Everyone knows about my illness because I asked that medical bulletins be issued," said Mr. Mitterrand, 77, who has been in office since 1981. He said he hoped his cancer "will be obliging enough to al-

low me to complete my term." In the clearest indication yet of his preferred successor, Mr. Mitterrand said Jacques Delors was the leftist politician bestplaced to run in France's presi-

dential election next year.

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Tiny Jewish Community in Portugal **Emerges From 5 Centuries of Hiding**

After five centuries of clandestine worship, a small gathering of Jews in the remote Portuguese town of Belmonte has shed the pretense of Christianity and is relearning its past.

The 200-member community is the only sizable group of Jews in Portugal to have clung secretly to its identity since the government began persecuting Jews in the late 15th century.

"This community has waited 500 years — it was Catholic on the outside, but Jewish within," said Rabbi Shlomo Sobag, 31, who came from Jerusalem last year at Belmonte's request.

Jews were prominent in medieval Portugal, but in 1497 the government ordered them all to convert or leave the country, following the Spanish precedent by five years.

tians" instead. Many converts adopted names of trees or places

Few of Portugal's Jews departed. Most publicly rejected their old religion and became "New Chris-

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like Oliveira (olive tree). Pereira (pear tree) and Lisboa (Lisbon) are common.

Belmonte's Jews continued to observe the Jewish Sabbath at home while attending Catholic Mass on Sunday. They rarely married outside their community. Jewish couples would wed publicly in church, but a private Jewish ceremony would follow.

On Friday night, at the start of the Sabbath, Jewish women would light candles at home and chant Hebrew prayers passed down for generations by word of mouth.

Judaism was not granted legal status until 1921 Six years ago, most Jews in Belmonte finally cut links with the Roman Catholic Church, encouraged by growing religious tolerance in Portugal, and wrote to Israel for support.

Around Europe

Ships that now appear on radar screens only as blobs could be identified by name if a new compulsory automatic system is adopted, making it easier to track polluters or ships involved in accidents, British officials say.

Britain has proposed to the International Maritime Organization that a ship-borne transponder a signal-emitting box that would automatically give a ship's name, position and route - be made compulsory.

Work on the system began after a British fishing vessel, the Ocean Hound, was sunk in a collision in

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the English Channel in 1991. Five crew members were killed, but the other ship left and was never identified.

Automatic identification of ships was recommended by a British government report into the prevention of pollution after a tanker, the Braer, ran aground in the Shetland Islands last year, spilling tons of oil.

Abusive consumption of vodka is such a problem in Poland that doctors and health-care workers have mounted a campaign to persuade people to drink beer instead. They say that while beer is fattening, it has other advantages, including its vitamin and mineral content. For now, average beer consumption in Poland is relatively low, at 38 liters (10 gallons) per year, compared with 120 liters for Czech drinkers and 150 liters for Germans. Specialists hope the campaign will make beer the nation's most popular alcoholic drink within 20 years while reducing the rate of alcoholism - which affects 10 percent of the adult population — by one-third.

Swedish policemen say their payments to informers should be tax-free to better protect these people's anonymity, according to Le Point of Paris. So far this year, the police have paid out \$100,000, at the rate of about \$300 to \$900 per informer.

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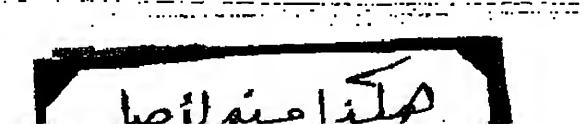
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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches These than we have the Cuban officials continued their talks here Wednesday amid indications that they might reach an accord to end the exodus of people trying to escape Cuba by

> The talks came as the number of refugees picked up in the Florida Straits by the U.S. Coast Guard had shown an unexplained decline, dropping to 689 amid fair weather Tuesday from about 1,000 a day for the

We are very measure.

Ricardo Alarcón, the former

Ricardo Principles who heads Cu-Soreign minister who heads Cuga's team at the talks. "We are prepared to sit down and discuss with the American side any pertinent matter concerning our bilateral relations."

The State Department spokesman, Mike McCurry, said the Clinton administration was showing "as much flexibility as possible in trying to reach an agreement that will bridge the differences that do exist in the positions of the two delega-

An administration official described the Cuban response to a new U.S. offer on immigration as "serious" though still containing "some material we can't accept."

The United States has offered to expand legal immigration from Cuba in return for Havana's promise to halt the refugee flood. Cuba hopes to tie an agreement to the easing of the 32-year-old U.S. economic embargo.

Asked whether it was possible to sign a limited immigration agreement and put the question of the embargo aside, Mr. Alarcón answered, "Maybe." He did not elaborate. He denied reports that Ha-

nama was seeking entry for 100,000 migrants a year. Mr. Alarcón said Cuba

would not halt the exodus without an accord. Cuba, criticized in the past for forbidding its citizens to leave, now will not deny their fundamental right to emigrate, he said.

Western and Latin American diplomats, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Havana appears willing to strike a deal if larger issues of U.S.-Cuban relations and the embargo are discussed at a later date.

A Miami newspaper reported Wednesday that Havana had substantially reduced its demand for U.S. visas but was insisting that Washington lift its recent ban on cash remittances to Cuba.

Unnamed sources close to the talks told The Miami Herald that Cuba had offered to settle for around 28,000 U.S. visas for prospective immigrants, the newspaper said.

The proposal also includes demands that the United States restrict its radio broadcasts to Cuba, it said.

Cash remittances accounted Sor an estimated \$400 million annual infusion into Cuba's économy. (AP, Reuters, NYT)



Cuban refugees arriving in Panama, their new temporary home after leaving the U.S. naval base at Guantánamo Bay.

Major Shake-Up Is Expected

White House Staff Braces for Panetta's Broom

By Douglas Jehl New York Times Service

EDGARTOWN, Massachuseus - As President Bill Clinton ended his vacation here Wednesday and headed for Washington, some of his senior aides were awaiting his return with more than a little apprehension, expecting the first of a series of staff changes.

For two months, Leon Panetta, the new White House chief of staff, has quietly been weighing big changes in Mr. Clinton's team, and White House officials say that an overhaul could be announced next week.

Mr. Panetta has already moved to install a longtime aide, Jodie Torkelson, in the vacant post of White House director of administration. He has also decided to bring Billy Webster, the chief of staff at the Department of Education, into the inner circle as Mr. Clinton's scheduler, replacing Ricki Seidman, who will move to another White House job.

Christine A. Varney, the cabinet secretary, is expected to leave by year's end to go to the Federal Trade Commission.

But those changes are relatively minor compared with what many aides expect: a shake-up of the White House communications and political operations that might revamp the job of press secretary to give the holder more access to the

Mr. Panetta is said by associates to have concluded that the current structure has too often left Dee Dee Myers, the spokeswoman, unable to

speak for the president with authority, but it is not clear whether she would get the enhanced

Mr. Clinton has also made it clear that he was dissatisfied by his administration's overall failure to communicate its achievements to the publie. And although Mr. Panetta moved earlier to install Tony Coelho, the former House Democratic whip, as de facto Democratic Party chairman, many of Mr. Clinton's advisers believe that the White House political team remains in need of election-year reinforcement.

Mr. Panetta, who took his post on condition that he get broad latitude in hiring and firing, has made his belief clear that much more needs

That has led to speculation even in the White House staff about whose jobs may be in jeopardy. In addition to Ms. Myers, those most eften mentioned are Mark D. Gearan, the communications director, and Joan Baggett, the director of political affairs.

Any of these changes would give yet another new look to a White House that, since Mr. Clinton took office, has already had two chiefs of staff, four deputy chiefs, two counsels, two communications directors and two congressions:

But when asked at a White House briefing in Edgartown on Tuesday whether personnel announcements could be expected soon. Ms. Myers said only: "Leon has not made clear what his

A Tenure Tied to Health Care Fight

HARRISBURG, Pennsylvania - Harris Wofford's victory in the 1991 special Senate election in Pennsylvania not only buttressed the Democrats' majority in the Senate, but helped to put health cure - Mr. Wofford's No. 1 campaign issue - atop the

national agenda. Now, however, the drive in Washington for comprehensive health reform has faltered and both Mr. Wofford's future and Democratic control of the Senate are imperiled. Rick Santorum, a two-term Republican representative from Pittsburgh, is waging an aggressive battle for Mr. Wolford's seat and is challenging the senator's view of health reform.

This is a race of sharp contrasts and high stakes. Mr. Wofford, 68, is at the apex of a public career rooted in the liberalism that flourished in the 1960s. when he won distinction as a civil rights champion and one of the founders of the Peace Corps. Mr. Santorum. 36, brings to the campaign his own version of the militant conservatism forged by

the Republican minority in the House, where he made his mark by helping to expose the House post office scandal and by becoming a spokesman for his party on welfare reform. The outcome of this confrontation could help decide not only whether the Democrats maintain

their grip on the Senate, but also the future course

Mr. Wofford's approach to health care. Mr. San-

of the national debate on health care reform.

By Robert L. Jackson

Los Angeles Times Service

filed by one of the senior female spies at

the Central Intelligence Agency por-

trays the agency as rife with womanizing

and drinking and says this conduct has

been ignored for years by internal inves-

The charges are contained in previ-

ously confidential court filings made

public Tuesday by the career spy, who

has been protected by a pseudonym,

"Jane Doe Thompson." Her suit con-

tends that she was treated unfairly be-

The Thompson complaint partially

surfaced in July when a federal judge in

Alexandria, Virginia, allowed some legal

motions to be made public but kept the

However, the court has now made

WASHINGTON — A federal lawsuit

torum declared at a recent campaign stop, exemplifies his overall belief "that we solve our problems in America by taxing you more, sending the money to Washington and hiring more bureaucrats to make decisions on how to run your life."

Democrats Talk Like Republicans

WASHINGTON — A review of campaign television advertisements for a dozen Democrats running for the Senate shows most of them, whether incumbents or challengers, are scurrying to portray themselves as political outsiders and distance themselves from President Bill Clinton's brand of liberalism.

Democrats are campaigning for November's elections on themes of small government, family values and law and order — traditional Republican issues. The ads show all are lighting Congress and what

they see as institutional corruption in Washington. "He hasn't forgotten where he comes from. He votes for what he believes in and not just for the party," says one fairly typical spot for Senator Jeff Bingaman of New Mexico, who faces a tough re-

ning seared. "You can't tell from their spots whether these guys are Republican or Democrats." Gary Koops of the Republican senatorial campaign committee said. "They rarely even say they are Democrats and never ever mention President Clinton." (Reuters)

Drinking and Womanizing Rife at CIA, Agent Says

toria Toensing, a former Justice Depart- ried directorate of operations division

The Thompson lawsuit was filed earli- with foreign liaison officials and could

The new court papers allege that the

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chiefs who have had affairs with subor-

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overseas, Ms. Thompson stated, "a strangulation."

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filed by Ms. Thompson's attorney. Vic-

ment official, which paints a bleak pic-

"There has not been a station to

which plaintiff has been assigned where

senior male officers did not drink and

womanize and create an adverse work

environment for women." the brief con-

er this year, and because of her senior

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tlement in a larger case. That case is a

class-action discrimination complaint

begin negotiating an administrative set- tion.

ture for women employees of the CIA.

The advertising makes clear Democrats are run-

Finding Fat in the Pentagon Budget

WASHINGTON --- The Pentagon's operating budget could be cut by \$4.5 billion next year without harming overall military readiness, a congressional report has concluded.

In a broad array of activities from pilot training to commissaries to the management of spare parts. the military could get along with less than President Clinton has requested, said the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, The report touches on a most sensitive issue in the

defense debate. As military spending continues to decline, Republicans and moderate Democrats warn that the nation's readiness to fight is slipping. More than half of the cuts could be achieved by reducing army operations accounts by \$2.4 billion. the report said. The air force request is too high by

\$1.16 billion, it said, while civilian Defense Department accounts could be cut by \$690 million. Navy excess totals \$274 million, it said.

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The suit also charges that a former were ever subjected to an inquiry by the

In addition, at a party at her home "for beating his wife to the point of

Tim Spring, the golf pro who played with President Clinton during his just-ended Murtha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, vacation, describing the president's state of mind: "He seemed kind of depressed. I don't think he wants to go home." (Reuters)

CIA officials have declined to com-

ment on the merits of Ms. Thompson's

According to the complaint, none of

the unnamed CIA officials who engaged

in womanizing or heavy social drinking

agency's inspector general, although Ms.

Thompson offered to provide their

The court papers said Ms. Thompson

was chief of a CIA station in the Carib-

bean area in 1989 when her troubles

began after she reported a male deputy

It was soon after, she said, that she

"became the target of an inspector gen-

eral investigation initiated by the male

deputy" and several other employees

she had disciplined for other reasons.

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names to investigators.

Women in Congress Girding for a Fight

Voter Cynicism Ends Euphoria of '92

By Kevin Merida Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — If 1992 was the Year of the Woman in U.S. politics, is 1994 the Year of the Woman in Trouble?

Two years after American voters sent a record number of women to Congress, the political landscape has changed, and many of the incumbent women in office are in tough re-election

Thirteen of the 48 women in the House of Representatives - including 10 in their first term and virtually all Democrats — are in danger of losing their seats, according to Ben Sheffner of the nonpartisan Cook Political Report.

"People are still looking for outsiders," said Mr. Sheffner, "and now these women are insiders, and it's hard to hide that

Republican strategists say the difficulty Democratic women face is another reflection of voters' growing doubts about the majority party, and especially about President Bill Clin-

The only Republican woman allegations on the ground that they were in the House considered to be at risk is Barbara F. Vucanovich of Nevada.

> In the Senate, Dianne Feinstein, Democrat of California, who is in her first term and is one of seven women in that chamber, is struggling to fend off a strong challenge from Representative Michael Huffington, a Republican.

Although many, perhaps most, of the female incumbents may survive challenges, the euphoria of two years ago has waned. The expectations women once had of adding to their numbers in Congress have been

dramatically lowered. Concerned about defeats within their ranks, a group of freshmen Democratic women in particular are perceived as have formed a traveling road show to raise money and cam- said. paign for one another.

that the "obvious" policy own and not lose these womchanges — privatization and en," said Harriett Woods, president of the National Women's Political Caucus.

Washington politicians, and abortion rights.

new seats created by retirements and redistricting led to the election of four new women to the Senate and 24 new women to the House.

Kay Bailey Hutchison, Republican of Texas, was later elected to the Senate in a special election, bringing the total number of women in Congress to a record 55.

This year is different. There is no presidential election to bolster turnout, and fewer opportunities to run in districts in which there are no incumbents. Despite a rash of congressional retirements, as of last week there were 50 open House seats and 9 open Senate seats, compared to 91 open House seats and 8 open Senate seats two years ago.

The significance of open seats to women is underscore? by 1992 electoral statistics: Twenty-two of the 24 women elected to the House did not have to face incumbents in the general election.

Now these same women are incumbents themselves, many of them Democrats, elected in marginally Democratic or Republican-leaning districts, who would have faced difficult reelection contests regardless of

their sex. "Women are definitely hur: by the fact that crime is the No. issue," said Celinda Lake, a Democratic pollster, who is working for several women whe are congressional and gubernatorial candidates.

"It's very hard for women to show toughness," she said. "I think women can get over that barrier, but it's one of the biggest barriers facing them. Linda DiVall, a Republican

pollster, said this trend largely affected Democrats. "Liberal Democratic women

not being tough on crime." she Women must also confront a "Our first goal is to hold our more cynical electorate this time around, according to some

"I think the mood of the electorate in '92 was different than In 1992, the combination of in '94," said Ellen Malcolm, sex-based anger resulting from president of EMILY's List, a the Clarence Thomas-Anita F. fund-raising network for Dem-Hill hearings, voter disgust with ocratic women who support

Away From Politics

• The Pentagon report on the Tailbook Association's 1991 convention has been barred from evidence in a federal lawsuit in Las Vegas brought by Paula Coughlin, a former navy officer who was one of the women sexually abused there. The judge called the report "not sufficiently trustworthy" in a legal victory for the Tailbook Association, an organization of naval aviators. The report concluded that 83 women had been assaulted or harassed at the convention.

 The space shuttle Discovery was cleared for launch on Friday from Cape Canaveral after engineers ironed out several mechanical problems.

 About 90 homosexual couples registered as domestic partners in Seattle under a law that took effect this week. The couples paid \$25 to have their relationship recognized under the ordinance. Scattle follows a dozen or so other cities with similar laws, including New York, Minneapolis and San Francisco. Ending the relationship requires only a notarized signature and costs

Mexico, the police said.

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process of democracy - millions of people have been left

cause of her gender.

lawsuit itself under wraps.

Some politicians at the national level invoke the need to fight poverty and to help those living on the margins of society. But they are generally far more inclined to point to economic successes such as the rise in foreign investment, their latest privatization deals or the renegotiation of debt with international lending organizations. The neoliberal economic

model came to be adopted as governments realized that closed economies, with their high barriers to imports, left them isolated and woefully outmoded in their industrial base.

In many countries, the last four years of growth will statistically almost make up for the vast loss of spending power in the 1980s, often called the "lost decade" because of the region's debt crisis, a deep recession and a loss of investor confidence.

But economic growth has been highly uneven. The new wealth has flown mostly to the rich, as wealthy families that made money doing work for the government made even more money buying up government assets. New jobs tend to be either short-term, low-paying construction jobs or highly paid managerial jobs. Many in the middle class lost work when state payrolls were cut or when managers at newly privatized companies slashed work forces to make the businesses compet-

Others say investment has been focused on the capitals. leaving more remote areas

struggling, with little hope in the UN defines Latin America investment will reach them.

Thompson works.

Nor is there much optimism embracing the Caribbean isamong the tens of millions of people living in vast shanty- America. towns throughout the continent, with little or no access to systems, adequate housing, education and health care. "The resumption of econom-

very high social price, which includes poverty, increased unemployment and income inequality, and this is leading to whom consider themselves part social problems," said Louis of the middle class, lack water. specialist on social reform at ment Bank, in Washington.

nomic growth through the end of the century, no progress will be made in reducing poverty, ment needed to offer health creating the potential for more care and education. social unrest. Poverty is even likely to increase slightly. As of 1986, 37

percent of the region's families

were living in poverty; by 2000,

the economists say, the figure

will be 38 percent, or 192 miltries," said Peter Jensen, regional coordinator for human settle- and misery and unrest are ments at the UN Economic growing. Commission on Latin America and the Caribbean, in Santiago.

the wealthy. The rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer. And this will generate social conflict." For the purpose of statistics, country on the continent that

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lands and Central and South Mr. Jensen estimates that 10 million families, or 46 million running water, electricity, sewer people, are without homes in the region. Another 18.4 million families, or 85 million people, live in homes in such poor conic growth has been bought at a dition that they should be demolished, Still another 23 mil-

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Emmerij, an economist and electricity or proper construction. The population for the rethe Inter-American Develop- gion in 1990 was 441 million. The bill for providing proper United Nations economists housing for the poor and the say that despite projected eco- middle class would exceed \$110 billion, Mr. Jensen said, and that does not include the invest-

lion homes, housing more than

100 million people, many of

All this is not to say that the economic experiment over the last five years was misguided, or that the flood of new investment has not been critical to the region's recovery, or that new investment and economic growth in the long term are not "The coming years will be the answer to reducing poverty, quite difficult for these coun- most economists say. But long term means several decades,

To be sure, not all Latin American countries are experiencing the same income gaps. "Growth has been really on only one end of the spectrum. nor the same rate of economic change. According to the UN, Brazil continues to have the widest gap between rich and poor and is the one dominant

has yet to tame inflation and the near term that new foreign as stretching from the Rio open its economy to international competition and invest-

> Countries such as Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica and Argentina have shown the most economic growth since the 1980s, but that does not exempt them from social unrest.

Chile has made the greatest inroads against poverty, bringing almost a million people out of poverty over the past four years, but it has been unable to improve living conditions much in the shantytowns.

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opening doors to investment have been made and that the hard part now begins: restructuring provincial governments, creating competent bureaucracies and getting the private sector to accept higher taxes. The return could be a bettertrained work force and surer

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J. Clavell, Author of 'Shogun,' Dies at 69

The Associated Press LONDON — James Clavell, author of "Shogun" and other

best-selling books, has died in Switzerland after suffering a stroke. He was 69. The Australian native, who lived in Switzerland, was the screenwriter of such popular

movies as "The Great Escape," "To Sir, With Love" and the first version of "The Fly." Mr. Clavell died Tuesday, said his publisher, Eric Major, of Hodder & Stoughton.

Mr. Clavell's novels about the Far East include "King Rat" and "Tai-Pan," Two other novels set in the Far East, "Shogun" and "Noble House," were made into television miniseries. His latest novel, "Gai-Jin,"

published last year, was also a "He was one of the great epic storytellers of our age," Mr. Major said, "a man who was deeply imbued in tradition, and also enormous fun to work

Explaining the popularity of "Shogun." Mr. Major said: "It took the Western mind into a completely different world. It was the first time that one began to understand the Japanese. This came from the period when he was incarcerated as a POW at Chang Yi prison in Singapore, as a young man in his early 20s."

Mr. Clavell was imprisoned by the Japanese at the camp during World War II, an experience that led to his first novel, "King Rat," in 1962.

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U.S. tourist has been charged

police said.

EAST: Entrepreneurs Bring New Prosperity to Parts of Old East Germany GORE:

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recovery; in the East, there is an out-andout boom, with 9 percent growth anticipated this year.

For the first time since reunification in 1990, per capita investment is now higher in Eastern Germany than in the West. In the past four years, roughly \$255 billion has been funneled into the East, more than half of it in construction. The service industry, too, is mushrooming; banks, for example, now employ 80,000 people in the East, double the number in 1990.

Public attitudes reflect the upswing. A poll of East Germans, published last month in Der Spiegel magazine, showed that 54 percent judged their own economic circumstances to be good or very good, up from 38 percent two years ago. Only 9 percent described their lot as bad or very bad, compared with 13 percent in 1992.

As Eastern and Western economies have grown together, so have political allegiances. In 1992, pollsters found that only 45 percent of Easterners considered themselves German, while 54 percent still thought of themselves as East German. In the recent survey, however, 61 percent classified themselves as German and 36 percent as East German.

"We can assume that most of the rubble of socialism has been cleared away," Germany's economics minister, Günter Rexrodt, said recently. "Everything points to us achieving growth in Eastern Germany that will accelerate itself in the foreseeable

Not everything is rosy. In some areas, when job retraining, make-work programs and early retirement are added to the official unemployment figures, the jobless rate jumps to 30 percent.

East German exports have nearly vanished, bringing in only \$8 billion last year and accounting for barely 2 percent of total German sales abroad.

Moreover, Eastern Germany remains of how to respond to the events afloat on a tide of money washing in from in Belfast. the West. Transfer payments this year alone will total \$115 billion, and the federal government recently announced that massive subsidies were likely to continue at least through 1998.

"A flourishing landscape for all of the East is still nowhere in sight," said Alexander Eickelpasch, an economist at a Berlin research institute, alluding to Chancellor Helmut Kohl's much-mocked 1990 campaign promise of imminent prosperity. "But there are small islands of flourishing landscapes scattered throughout the East."

KOHL: Back on Top in the Polls, Chancellor Is Relishing the Campaign

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plex issues, but a series of political gaffes has cost him dearly.

When Mr. Kohl's candidate for the largely ceremonial presidency, Roman Herzog, was elected in May, Mr. Scharping protested in a manner that struck many voters as petulant and unstatesmanlike.

Most recently, he has allowed Social Democrats in the eastern state of Saxony-Anhalt to form a minority government that relies on votes from the former Communist Party.

Mr. Kohl never misses a chance to remind voters that Social Democrats govern Saxony-Anhalt with tacit support from former Communists.

"We want no Communist influence in

this country!" he shouted into the microphones in Potsdam on Saturday night. "We are fighting to preserve this republic, and we are not going to allow it to be pushed to the left!"

By playing on the instinctive fear of radicalism, Mr. Kohl has shown he is close to the pulse of the electorate. He did so again by denouncing Mr. Scharping's proposal to impose speed limits on the auto-

■ Candidates Mix It Up

Mr. Kohl and Mr. Scharping exchanged insults Wednesday in a stormy and rare parliamentary showdown. The Associated Press reported from Bonn.

Mr. Scharping accused the chancellor of cowardice, slander and lying. Mr. Kohl

said the Social Democrats were incompetent and too cozy with the reformed East German Communists.

Tuesday, Mr. Kohl's party used its parliamentary majority to make that day's session of the Bundestag, the lower house of Parliament, the final one before the Oct. 16 election.

Mr. Scharping said the chancellor had arranged the recess to avoid another debate with him. "You chicken out repeatedly," the Social Democrat said.

He asserted that Mr. Kohl has been making campaign promises — such as to increase some social benefits — that he will not keep. "You have five and a half weeks left," Mr. Scharping said, glowering at the chancellor. "We will give you no

opportunity to keep quiet about your true

POPE: Canceling of Papal Visit to Sarajevo Underlines City's Shaky State

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Serbia to be eased, but the United States wants to act more cautiously.

On the military front, offi-

cials said that British and

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Meudon, outside Paris.

French officers had argued vigorously that tougher enforcement of weapons-exclusion zones would involve NATO directly in the conflict.

With the largest military contingents in the UN Protection Force here, Britain and France have always been wary of increased NATO air strikes.

Those tensions are running

high once again. President Bill Clinton's plan to press for ending the arms embargo to the Bosnian government after Oct. 15 has caused great unease in the contact group. President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia is firmly opposed, and the French foreign minister, Alain Juppé,

said lifting the embargo would be "a grave error."

In general, France, Britain Russia are much more ready to try to end the war by go on and we will get our Bosniaccommodating Serbia and the an Serb state in two years," a Bosnian Serbs than is the United States, which does not have ground troops in Bosnia.

Mr. Juppé said this week that the contact group should formally accept a confederation of the Bosnian Serbs and Serbia, providing that Bosnia's international borders remain at least formally intact.

But one U.S. official said: "It is absolutely premature to talk about a Serbian confederation. First they have to accept the

"The map," the proposal to reduce Serb-held lands to 49 percent, is utterly unacceptable to Bosnian Serbs. "The war will Bosnian Serb official, Aleksa

Buha, said this week. Thus if Mr. Clinton ends the embargo on the Bosnian government, the contact group will certainly fall apart. Britain and France may also withdraw at least some troops.

U.S. officials say the best hope for continued cooperation may be an agreement on easing sanctions on Serbia, provided Mr. Milosevic accepts international monitors on the border.

Meets Reynolds

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with Britain over the question

The relaxation of security operations may have made a difference to the people who live on Falls Road in Belfast, and it certainly lightened the mood of the city. But there was no suggestion yet that it included a strategic redeployment or a reduction in the number of troops in Northern Ireland, as demanded by Gerry Adams, the head of the IRA's political branch, Sinn Fein.

In this sense, the moves appeared to be a normal operational response rather than a clear political concession or sign of good faith from the British government. Martin McGuinness, the vice president of Sinn Fein, said Wednesday that raids and other acts were continuing against the IRA, which is still illegal.

Though there have been two tary groups — the killing of a of the Democratic Unionist Catholic and the explosion of a Party. On Tuesday, Mr. Paisley bomb near Sinn Fein headquar- did not disappoint them.
ters — the IRA has not re- He had insisted on a meeting sponded with violence.

In the name of the Catholic minority in the Protestantdominated province, the IRA wants to end British rule and join up with the Irish Republic to the south, where Catholics are in the majority. Most Protestants in Northern Ireland want it to remain part of the United Kingdom.

Protestants, known as loyalists, Mr. Major asked him several



Mr. Gore, left, with Mr. Reynolds in Shannon.

with Mr. Major in London to read out a demand that the British not "surrender" to the IRA. Mr. Paisley has made Mr. Major's life more difficult by insisting, with little to go on, that the IRA cease-fire must have come from a back-room deal with London.

But barely had he stepped inside No. 10 Downing Street The extremists among the than he was virtually ejected.

provocations from terrorists be- have long taken as their hero times if he accepted his word. longing to Protestant paramili- the Reverend Ian Paisley, head When Mr. Paisley refused to reply in the affirmative and insisted instead on reading his. prepared text, the meeting was summarily ended.

Mr. Paisley returned to Belfast with a grudge intact. He said at a news conference that Mr. Major was acting like a dictator. No prime minister lias the right to insist upon being believed before listening to a speaker, he said.

"This is what Hitler said," he added, "you are to believe me, or you will go to the gas chami

CAIRO: Delegates Angered by Vatican's Stalling Tactic

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resumed its meeting on the text Wednesday morning, expecting to cement the consensus achieved Tuesday night, more than a dozen countries that had not spoken Tuesday raised objections. Among them were Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Honduras, Guatemala, Panama and Malta, as well as Guam, a United States territory, according to people close to official

The issue had to be referred to a special committee charged said that when the conference with reporting back by Friday

"These Latin American na-

tions are trying to make the Vatican happy," said Miguel Trias, head of Colombia's largest government-backed family planning organization, Profamilia. "But in 2,000 years the Vatican has never been happy."

Alexander C. Sanger, the president of Planned Parenthood of New York City, said in an interview that the divergent

views of the Vatican and nongovernmental groups from Catholic nations, some of which! have seats on official delegations, demonstrated a split be tween the Vatican hierarchy and millions of lay Catholics.

"There are two churches," he said, "one where the hierarchy talks to the presidents of countries, and then there's the church of the people. The people are picking and choosing what parts of Catholicism they want to carry over to their per

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Overpopulation Has a Brief History

By Barry James International Herald Tribune

The United Nations conference in Cairo is a reminder that concern about booming population increase is of comparatively recent origin.

Only in the 18th century did intellectuals, the most famous being Thomas Malthus, begin raising the prospect of people one day outstripping the Earth's resources.

But for most of history, mankind has been more concerned with increasing its numbers. War, plagues and high infant mortality ensured that populations grew slowly, despite high birth rates.

Some researchers estimate that, during the 750 years preceding the Industrial Revolution, the world's population hardly budged. According to George Moffett, the author of "Critical Masses: The Global Population Challenge," the world's population remained under 250 million throughout most of history, "capped by birth rates and death rates at When My Property locked in a seemingly permanent equilib-

Now, more than 250 million people are added to the world's population every three years, and the billion people of Malthus's day have swelled to 5.6 billion.

The population curve swung sharply

upwards with the Industrial Revolution, which broke the ancient link between land and population. Whether population growth has brought about an increase in food supplies, or whether the greater availability of food has increased the number of human beings is an old chicken-and-egg question.

The idea that mankind would outgrow its resources originated with the physiccrats, a French-led intellectual movement in the 18th century that maintained that wealth was defined by land. Since the amount of land is finite, the physiocrats argued, it would not be able to support an endlessly increasing number of people.

An opposing philosophy was known as mercantilism, which held that a large population was a form of wealth, making it possible to create bigger markets and

Marxists adopted the mercantilist idea that population growth fosters economic growth. Karl Marx dismissed Malthus's warning as "a repulsive blasphemy against man and nature."

Although high-born ladies right back to ancient Egyptian times knew a thing or two about preventing unwanted babies, pregnancy was historically as inevitable as the weather for most women.

Queen Victoria lamented that "men never think, or at least seldom think, what a hard task it is for us women to go through childbirth very often."

The words "birth control" entered the language in 1914 with the American reformer Margaret Sanger. Effective contraception for the masses has been around only since the 1960s, with the development of the pill and intrauterine devices. Barrier methods such as the condom have been around much longer, but were seen primarily as a means of preventing disease, not pregnancy. Casanova in the 18th century was one of the first to boast that he used "assurance caps" to prevent impregnating his mistresses.

The development of artificial contraception brought with it oft-repeated condemnation from the Roman Catholic Church, which teaches that every sexual act must remain open to life. Saint Augustine set the tone in his "Marriage and Concupiscence," in which he condemned any attempt to avoid procreation.

But by the spirit of his age, Saint Augustine was expressing a lusty and liberal view against Gnostic preaching that all sex was evil, even within marriage. His views were taken largely from Roman Stoic teaching that procreation was the rational aim of marriage.

A Third World Focus on Sons

Family Planning Loses Contest With Cultures

By Molly Moore Washington Post Service

GOVINDPUR, India - Babita Kanwarpal, wife of a village milkman, mother of two daughters and one son, has an obsession: to continue having children until she produces a second son.

"I want to have two sons," said Mrs. Kanwarpal, a shy 21year-old member of India's lowest caste, who was married at 15. "Only after that will I stop having children."

As the United Nations Conference on Population and Development meets in Cairo to work out an action plan to stabilize world population, it is up against the entrenched cultural fixation on sons in India and many other Third World coun-

"Sons are an insurance policy, unemployment policy, sickness policy and old-age pension all rolled into one," said Ashish Bose, at Jawaharlal Nehru Uni-

Indian families depend on sons to work the fields to bring ples by the New Delhi Operaadditional income to the family, to support it when parents become ill or disabled, and to provide financial aid for aging parents. This is particularly true of rural families in the poor northern states, where population growth is most acute and family size is almost double the nation-

al average of 3.6 children. "The preference for sons is very strong," said Usha Vohra, until recently India's minister of health and family welfare. "It is predominant in agricultural areas. The desire for having five or six children so you have more sons to till the soil is very

And perhaps even more important, most devout Hindu parents — both poor rural and educated urban - believe they cannot go to heaven unless they are cremated by a son when they die. Because the mortality versity's Population Research rate is so high for infants and Center in New Delhi. "Indian young people in India, most families will not accept family parents consider it essential to planning until they have two have two sons as additional insurance in the event one dies.

A 1991 survey of Indian coutions Research Group found that 72 percent of tural couples polled said they wanted to have at least two sons. Among urban couples, the preference for more than one son was 53 percent. In absolute numbers, India's population is growing faster than any other country's.

The same tradition that places such a high priority on sons contributes to the low status accorded women. In the eyes of many parents, particularly the poor and illiterate, girls are seen as a burden, requiring a hefty investment of family finances to pay the dowry that is necessary to find her a husband.

After marriage, a woman moves into her mother-in-law's house to care for her husband's parents. In most cases, according to sociologists and scores of interviews with Indian women of all social strata, it is the mother-in-law, not the husband, who dictates the number of children a woman will bear.

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Needle exchanges, designed to reduce the transmission of the virus that causes AIDS through contaminated syringes, have had the tacit approval of

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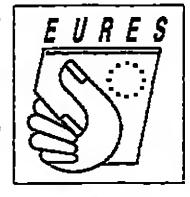
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New Russian Schooling

Talk about about starting school with a clean slate. The schoolchildren of Russia return to classes for the 1994-95 school year with textbooks rewritten to reflect the changes in their world. As reported by Washington Post correspondent Margaret Shapiro, the new books contain no Marxist/Leninist dogma, no Party-distorted history or hagiography; they offer in their place lots of introductory management and economics. It might seem a bit late to be purging the curriculum of Leninist doctrine, but cash is short for everything in Russia, and schoolbooks, however important, are a major endeavor.

In all the change-wracked countries of the once Soviet bloc, education has turned out to be one of the larger, gummier problems. From the "wall in the head" that persists among Germans to the retraining needs of entire populations of lawyers and judges, intellectual change has proved no less daunting, and far less defined, than economic change.

The difficulty of keeping the two realms even partially separate comes through in reports of the new schoolbooks, which are long on practical economics and management — even, it is reported, at the grade school level, where the lessons of capitalism are instilled via cartoon characters.

Glasnost-watchers of the 1980s can probably still summon up the memory of that dramatic spring moment when Mikhail Gorbachev canceled university. final exams because, so he said, the textbooks were all wrong. As with other dramatic moves, this one was less a concrete educational reform than a leader's way of making a point; and as with other apparent repudiations along the way, the degree to which it proves real below its surface symbolism was unclear and remains so now. Nor does Russian culture seem to have settled into a new orthodoxy or a new consensus stable enough to be comfortably enshrined in the educational system.

Textbooks usually represent some sort of conventional wisdom, but, as Americans have found, too, for that very reason they serve as convenient cultural battlegrounds. The big public revision may have been a hard step to take, but it can be only the first of many.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Over-Isolating Cuba

In the face of the growing crisis in Cuba, the Clinton administration has tightened restrictions on both financial transactions and travel to the island. - Seeking to increase pressure on and strengthen the isolation of the Castro - regime, new regulations published within the last 10 days curtail charter flights, - forbid the sending of money to family - members and restrict travel by relatives. -. These changes have personal implications for Cuban-Americans and their - families. But in addition, the new rules make it more difficult for others engaged L in information gathering and related ac-· tivities to travel to Cuba. These changes ; will have a broader impact on Americans seeking to learn more about Cuba, to - bring certain forms of American arts and culture to the island and to inform citizens in the United States about what is

going on in that country. Congress has traditionally viewed these now curtailed activities favorably and only this spring enacted a sense of Congress resolution urging that they should be exempt from the general embargo. In June, Secretary of State Warren Christopher assured Congress of the administration's understanding that "the free flow of ideas and information is also consistent with the maintenance and enforcement of economic embargoes." Yet the changes made at the end of last

month move in the opposite direction. Specifically, the old regulations granted general travel permission to "persons who are traveling for the purpose of gathering news, [or] making news or docu-

mentary films." The new rules limit this general permission to journalists "regularly employed in that capacity by a news reporting organization." Filmmakers and free-lance writers are no longer in this category. Professional researchers were also given blanket exemptions from embargo restrictions. Now they, too, must apply for permission on a case by case basis. While specific licenses had been available to permit travel "for purposes of public performances, public exhibitions or similar activities." such travel is now prohibited. And while specific licenses were available for people involved

in "activities of recognized human rights

organizations," permission can now be

granted only to those "investigating hu-

man rights violations."

This tinkering with the law may seem inconsequential, but it is not. The whole thrust of the changes is to restrict just the kind of First Amendment activities that Congress has sought to protect. In practical terms, moving from general exemptions to case by case ones requires time, paperwork and delay - particularly now when government officials are swamped with family-related requests for exemptions — and places the applicants entirely at the mercy of government officials who can turn them down with no explanation. The regulations were harriedly drawn and may now be seen by this government as overly restrictive. They should be changed so that the flow of information about Cuba can continue during the cur-

rent crisis and beyond. — THE WASHINGTON POST.

While Experts Bicker, Women Turn to Birth Control

NEW YORK — When Tim Wirth, U.S. undersecretary of state for global affairs, first began to lay the Clinton administration's rhetorical groundwork for this week's global population conference in Cairo, the note he sounded seemed inspired. "Sustainable development cannot be realized without the full engagement and complete empowerment of women," he said in a speech in March.

Bypassing the contentious divisions of overpopulation vs. overconsumption, developed vs. developing nations, the rights of women could unite all in strategies for a world whose population has doubled in the last four decades and might triple by the end of the next century.

Unity, of course, is not what has come out in the coverage of Cairo so far. Much has been made of the conflict between the majority of nations represented there and an alliance of the Vatican and Islamic fundamentalists who oppose legal abortion and decry the secular modernism they find in the conference aims.

Too little has been made of the fact that this conflict is, in some measure, irrelevant. While experts bicker over whether the problem is population or

By Anna Quindlen

economic development, the battle to bring down the world's birthrate has already been joined, and by precisely those people styled by Mr. Wirth as the linchpin of the Cairo conference.

The world's women are increasingly moving to bring the birthrate down on a do-it-yourself basis. Not because of deforestation or famine per se, but because it is better for their children. Trying to divide their attention among four, trying to divide a small stock of food among six, many now embrace a standard of morality that emphasizes the quality of life they can provide over the quantity of children they can produce.

Consider Cairo itself, where crowded apartment buildings are being raised ever skyward to accommodate more human beings in a city that can ill afford them. While Islamic orthodoxy has been on the rise in Egypt, so has the use of contraception. The average number of children an Egyptian woman will have has dropped from five in 1980 to 3.9 today.

In Brazil, with the world's largest Cath-

olic population, two-thirds of married women practice birth control. In 1970 the average family had close to six children; today the number is slightly over two.

The Catholic Church will not bend in its opposition to contraception, which means it has little more to contribute to this discussion than a cardiologist who does not believe in surgery could offer at a symposium on heart disease.

Vatican representatives have instead focused on the "demographic colonialism" and selfish individualism of developed nations. One cardinal recently waxed poetic — and paternalistic about the "love of life" among the poor, as though raising children in squalor should be counted as a great blessing.

None of that obviates this bedrock fact: millions of women simply want fewer children at greater intervals. A study by the Alan Guttmacher Institute of women in sub-Saharan Africa, for example, showed that as many as half in some countries reported that they did not want their most recent pregnancy at that time or at all. The Vatican has engineered shameful

alliances for the Cairo conference, sending emissaries to both Libya and Iran in

its pursuit of at-any-and-all-costs opposition to legal abortion. It is an opposition that seems grounded in the belief that illegal equals nonexistent, a belief belied by the evidence.

Brazil serves again as a model. The Church has lobbied hard to keep abortion illegal there, yet as many illegal abortions are performed in Brazil as legal ones in the United States.

The difference? Only 10,000 American women are hospitalized for complications of abortion each year, while in Brazil the number is 400,000. It is hard to find the greater good in that statistic. The Cairo conference is not a collocuy.

about abortion, much as these few ortho-

dox religious leaders have tried to make it so. It is about a complicated web of education and employment, consumption and poverty, development and health care.
It is also about whether governments will follow where women have so clearly led them, toward safe, simple and reliable choices in family planning. While Cairo crackles with conflict, in the homes of the world the orthodoxies have been

duly heard, and roundly ignored. The New York Times.

Spread the West Eastward, Putting Germany in a United Europe

DARIS — The Russian army I has marched out of Berlin with panache, taking with it the Cold War - and leaving Germany with its historical problem: that it lies in the center of Europe.

A German official said recently that the goal of German policy today is that the country never again finds itself "with the West on our western border and the East on our eastern border." What Germany wants, he said, is to have the West on its eastern border as well.

That is the reason Germany has been so anxious to bring Poland, Hungary, the Czech Republic and Slovakia into the European Union and other Western institutions.

This German preoccupation with the East has been interpreted by the suspicious as an attempt to re-establish the national zone of influence that Germany possessed before the war in Eastern Europe. It is a mistaken interpretation. This is Germany's effort to escape the dangerous ambiguities created by Germany's geo-

The critics would be better advised to promote a greater involvement in Eastern Europe by the other West Europeans and by the United States. The political tendency has been in the other direction.

The United States blocked bringing the East European states into a close relationship with NATO and opposed any formal extension of NATO guarantees to existing state frontiers in Eastern Europe, a measure which could have provided a fundamental guarantee of stabilFrance and Britain have been

Partly responsible for this has been the crisis currently experienced by the European Union itself, a result of the negative popular reaction provoked by the Maastricht treaty on further Eu-

French Prime Minister Edouard Balladur said a few days ago that Europe's future is one of concentric circles, the inner one incorporating the original Six, with France and Germany the core, surrounded by the less committed Europeans, such as the British, Danes and other Scandinavians, with outer circles made up of the present candidates for membership, in-

doubtedly is a realistic appraisal of the existing situation, but it leaves Germany with the East on its eastern border, not the West,

Henry Kissinger has rightly observed that the great challenge after any war, cold or otherwise. is to reintegrate the defeated into the international system. When they are excluded from the system, they are given a motive to subvert it. This is plainly apparent from what happened after World War I, when the Germans suffered ostracism and indemnities, provoking that sense of injustice and bitter nationalism

which Hitler exploited. With Russia, after its Cold War defeat, the need for constructive reintegration has generally been recognized. This has motivated

and conciliatory policy, including these troop withdrawals from Germany and the Baltic states.

The Baltic problem has, of course, been complicated not only by the strategic sensitivity of the region but by the fact that since Stalin annexed the Baltic states, a great many Russians have willingly or unwillingly been settled there, and most do not want to go back to the chaotic conditions that prevail in Russia itself.

However, 50 years of Russian military occupation ended in Estonia and Latvia on Aug. 31. It ended in Lithuania last year. The status of the Russian nationals in the Baltic states remains unsettled, but, given the severity of the problem and the emotions at work, the situation today is a

used to be the U.S.S.R., or the czarist empire, is unsettled, the successor nations all very shaky as autonomous states and econo-

mies. The Baltic nations are in very good condition by comparison with Ukraine. The risk in the future comes much more from this national fragility in the successor states than from a putative revival of Russian imperialism. A re-association of some of these nations with Russia may be inevitable.

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People have spent so long thinking in Cold War terms that they are inclined to see these changing circumstances as reinventing Europe's division in the guise of Russian empire or a threatening "strategic partnership" among the ex-Soviet states. But the essential fact today is that Europe has been undivided but is not yet united.

The West's great interest is to perpetuate an impartial cooperation across Europe to Russia so as to avoid Europe's redivision into an East and a West, leaving Germany in the middle.

International Herald Tribune.

Treasures to Be Returned Russian officials acknowledged blushingly last year that whole warehouses of art treasures seized during World War II had been hidden away for decades. The great prizes included the so-called Treasure of Priam, unearthed by Heinrich Schliemann at Troy, and a stunning Gutenberg Bible, each calfskin page illuminated with floral decorations. The Trojan gold was seized in Berlin by the Red Army, and the Bible carted from a book museum in Leipzig, once Germany's publishing capital.

ing stopped, and President Boris Yeltsin's government found excuses for rebuffing German claims for restitution. Now the argument is taking a new turn. The lower house of the Russian Parliament is considering a law saying that wartime booty should be kept as reparations. This has been taken up as a holy cause by extreme nationalists. More surprisingly, the idea is supported by some academics and museum curators, who have come to view the objects as national property. In reality, seizing war booty is not just

As months passed, however, the blush-

a bad but a terrible idea. Doing so would dishonor treaties that Russia has signed, sow enduring ill will in countries with lawful title, and undermine Russia's own claims for restitution of exarist gold worth \$2 billion and various properties valued at \$10 billion, including mansions in Paris, an Orthodox monastery in Italy and land in Jerusalem.

Pilfering another country's art, through arms or imperial flat, opens wounds that persist for generations, as in Greece's longstanding clamor for the Elgin Marbles. When American forces entered Germany in 1945 and came upon paintings and sculptures from Berlin museums stowed in salt mines, some in the White House and Treasury wanted to seize those treasures.

President Harry Truman instead ordered the return of the art — but only after 202 paintings were brought to the United States for a lavish traveling exhibition.

As freshly retold by Lvnn Nicholas in "The Rape of Europa," even that provoked controversy, including a protest from the Soviet foreign minister. This was during the Nuremberg trials, in which Nazi plunder of other countries' art was treated as a war crime. In 1954, the wartime victors signed the Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict. It expressly stipulates that captured artworks "shall never be retained as war reparations."

The Soviet Union signed the convention, as it did a 1980 bilateral agreement with Germany calling for reciprocal return of all art treasures seized during World War II. Nevertheless, some Russians now say this is unfair because Soviet museums took good care of wartime trophies, while treasures taken by Nazi armies in the East either disappeared, like the celebrated Amber Room from Catherine's palace outside Leningrad, or were dispersed on the art market. This argument would have greater moral weight if Moscow had not for decades denied the very existence of quantities of precious objects, most of which have never been

shown to the public. It lacks logic or sense for blustering nationalists to condemn Boris Yeltsin for not doing enough to get back church properties in Western Europe, while at the same time crying "robbery" when German owners seek the rightful return of a Gutenberg Bible. Mr. Yeltsin has a glorious chance for a grand finale: a movable visual feast, a traveling show of all the hidden treasures that would conclude with a splendid homecoming.

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The United States has wanted to settle the Central European problem by way of Russia, seeing in Russia's stability and democratization a guarantee for the states that live between Russia and Germany. It has mistakenly seen one policy as excluding the other. It has assumed that Western interest in Eastern Europe would be taken by Moscow as hostile.

and it leaves Russia out.

By William Pfaff

Washington's policy. Russia. for all of its internal difficulties, has reciprocated with a constructive

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Phase Out the Cuba Embargo and Phase In Democracy

TASHINGTON — The Clin-VV ton administration may yet stumble to a success in dealing with Cuba. The problem isn't that hard, and Fidel Castro is helping in his fashion.

The first requirement of policy is to keep faith with refugees fleeing communism. This was a standard Cold War policy — and the right one for a country that speaks for liberty. It brought a million Cubans to Miami over a period of 30 years. The end of the Cold War was bound to dim the urgency of rescue and to give a sharper profile to, for instance, Florida's carrying capacity. But in Cuba the Cold War survives in the form of an anomalous and discredited but still live Communist tyranny. This imposes a continuing obligation on the United States to care for Cuban refugees. Not gracefully but effectively. President Bill Clinton is meeting

refugees "safe haven" in Guantanamo. Safe haven is denigrated in some quarters as an immoral reversal of the traditional automatic asylum. But the recipients of safe haven are not being thrown back to Cuba, and they are living under an American flag. It is an adequate

expedient to buy a bit of time. The question is how to use that time. Here Mr. Clinton has had difficulty in moving past mindless nationalist assertions to the effect that "Castro will not be allowed to dictate American immigration policies."

Someone should have told him that Mr. Castro, by generating refugees in the first place through repression and by his openings and closings of the emigration tap, has been dictating U.S. immigration policies practically since his revolution took power in 1959. Until Soviet communism

By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

went under, most Americans regarded the flow as a burden that they were proud to sustain. But never mind, Mr. Castro is saving Mr. Clinton from his slogans by offering to negotiate out emigration. This is the focus of the talks that opened in New York on Thursday. A deal sits waiting to be confirmed. Cuba

> gerously on rafts to Florida. The United States would agree to increase numbers of legals. There is a strained quality to Mr. Clinton's approach to Havana. Even as he enters talks that offer a promise of personal relief to some thousands of Cubans, he tightens the embargo pressures

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an inconsistency and, considering the human costs, a pity. It is due, as far as anyone can tell, to Mr. Clinton's kowtowing to the Cuban emigration's right wing, a faction he started courting during his campaign for the White

House. Cuba, of course, is no longer any sort of security threat. In any event, the talks begun in New York are eventually more likely to go Mr. Castro's way into broad political discussions than to stay tightly focused on technical emigration matters, as Mr. Clinton says he prefers. This seems to me the logic of events.

Mr. Castro seems to understand it better than Mr. Clinton does. Mr. Castro is not out to embrace the United States and its ways. Better than anyone, however, he understands that his regime is failing now that Moscow no longer supports it. This is what has led him to take the huge risk of starting to bargain for a lifting of the American embargo. His release of some of his citizens to the rafts put one of his few still available cards in play.

ly fears that Mr. Castro will out-

smart him in political talks and that the Cuban leader will end up replacing Soviet subsidies with American subsidies for his otherwise sinking enterprise. Some of Mr. Clinton's domestic critics

But almost everyone else realizes that there is a second, broadly political deal that Mr. Clinton is in a position to offer. The United States would phase out the embargo. Cuba would introduce democratic elections. End of the Cuba problem.

share this apprehension.

Why would Mr. Castro accept an approach that puts him on the slippery slope of negotiations that may cost him power? There is a whole industry of people who try to get inside his head. Some believe him to be obsessed if not by power then by rage at the United States, and hence an unlikely candidate for a political compromise.

But having come this far, how can an American president shy away from supporting a plan that satisfies the two fundamental considerations of Americara democratic principle and Cuban national pride?

The Clinton administration regularly asserts that it favors a peaceful transition to democracy in Cuba. But its actual policy of unrelieved pressure and isolation shows a glint of the old American premise that in the right circumstances the Cuban people will re-

volt and throw Mr. Castro out. This is the belief that led President John Kennedy to launch a disastrous invasion by Cuban exiles at the Bay of Pigs in 1961. No invasion is imaginable now. But a trace of an underlying American resentment at an upstart Cuba may remain from the earlier period of American colo-

nial hegemony. The trace is faint to Americans, but perhaps not so faint to some number of Cubans whose nationalism Mr. Castro shrewdly stirs. With respect, the United

Strangely, Mr. Clinton evident-States can steal that card. The Washington Post.

1894: Royal Pretensions

PARIS — [The Herald says in an editorial: The throne of France is vacant, but it seems to be in good quarters at the garde-meuble in Paris, where it has been stored away for twenty-four years. Nevertheless, there are plenty of pretenders who cast their eyes on it from afar. The latest addition to the crowd is one of the Spanish Bourbons, who has just put himself forward as a candidate for the throne on his own authority, and has dubbed himself Duke of Anjou — a title which belongs to the head of the house, the grand-

son of Louis XIV. 1919: Clocks on Strike

PARIS — Public clocks in Paris. never excellent timekeepers at the best, went out of commission for the most part with the war. Of late, efforts seemed to be made

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO to start them going again, but the clocks now seem to have caught the spirit of the times and to have gone on strike. Not the kind of striking that clocks are supposed to do, but the kind which some of the music-hall employees started and in which the taxidrivers engaged recently during the luncheon hour.

New York edition: More than 900 Japanese prisoners of war, arming themselves with baseball bats and mess knives, made a mass escape attempt at a prison camp in Australia last month, and 231 were killed or committed suicide and 108 were wounded, Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia announced today [Sept. 7] in a statement made public by the Australian Minister at Washington, Sir John Dixon.

Time to Fix the American Jury System dez, are attempting to accom-

WASHINGTON — Can a creaking jury system survive the deadly modern combination of celebrity murder trials, intrusive media and arrogant, acquisitive trial lawyers? That question is raised by two California trials that should change the way Americans

think about American justice. The Simpson and Menendez trials turn a harsh spotlight on America's system of putting the question of guilt and innocence, and of punishment by prison term, death or monetary damages, to 12 ordinary citizens allegedly chosen at random as a

cross section of the community. That system is not the envy of the rest of the world, as many Americans seem to think. And these two murder cases help explain why.

Few other countries have dared try such a populist approach to the law. Countries as diverse as Japan and India have tried citizen juries and quickly dropped them. Even Britain, which bequeathed the jury system to the American colonies, has turned away from it. Today only I percent of civil trials and 5 percent of criminal hearings are heard by juries in Britain.

America's commitment to the jury system has to do with democracy more than with any pretense of a jury's infallibility. Alexis de Tocqueville observed in the 19th century: "By obliging men to turn their attention to other affairs than their own, it rubs off that private selfishness which is the rust of society." Entrusting the final say about a citizen's fate to his or her peers was a strong counter-

weight to government abuse. But the society Tocqueville analyzed did not have to cope with tabloid television. Public relations agencies working for acthe lawyers for O. J. Simpson,

By Jim Hoagland

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child molesters were not part of the frontier he surveyed. Nor were "jury consultants" who use marketing skills, opinion polling and psychological profiling to

stack juries in their clients' favor. While the lawyers' ability to manipulate the system against itself grows exponentially as the 20th century ends, the jury remains straitjacketed in rural habits of the 19th century. This is shown in unsettling detail in a new book, "The Jury," by Stephen J. Adler, a New York-

based legal journalist. Mr. Adler details bow unrepresentative juries have become as trials get longer and more complex. Few jurisdictions bother to make citizens honor jury summons today. More affluent, better educated citizens who do show up can often wangle a work-related exemption. Lawyers use preemptory challenges to knock out remaining potential jurors who might not go along

with their elaborate strategies. The technology of modern communications gives defense lawyers unprecedented access to potential jurors and unprecedented opportunities to identify and manipulate the emotions of jurors or, if all else fails, to overwhelm the jury with technical details and confusing, irrelevant information. And, Mr. Adler writes per-

they hear. Serving on a jury today is like watching a baseball game and being told the rules only after it is over. But it is the defense lawyers who attract most of Mr. Adler's attention. To understand what

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or the substance of the cases

plish for their clients as jury selection and the trials proceed, keep Mr. Adler's book handy. While he does not write directly about either case, he tells you how we got to this seeming dead end in criminal justice, and what can be done about it.

Despite the admissions by the Menendez brothers that they gunned down their parents and then went on a shopping spree with their inheritance, a jury refused to convict them last winter. A mistrial was declared. largely because of what Elizabeth Hardwick, writing recently in The New York Review of Books, calls "the very useful claims of sexual abuse and selfdefense" that the brothers' defense attorneys and their expert witnesses quickly "organized or scripted" as the trial approached.

Mr. Simpson's team of attorneys, publicists and experts use his millions to stage a heavy publicity blitz to script an alternative narrative to the one presented by the prosecution. Acquittal in the face of the evidence gathered so far is likely to heighten public cynicism about the functioning of the modern jury system, and thus about American justice as a whole.

The system can be made toperform better by eliminating preemptory challenges altogether (as Mr. Adler says the Supreme Court may do), broadening the jury pool by abolishing most juror claims for exclusion, and helping those jurors who are chosen. They should be allowed to take notes, for example, and to ask direct questions through the judge. And jurors should be told m clear detail what they are about to hear, and do.

That is Mr. Adler's argument for reform. Let us hope he is right, and that it gets done. The Washington Post.

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have ceded the high ground Antilit file continue of the to conservatives. trol. There is, above all, the increasingly powerful hold of a fierce and highly competitive individualism on

the American imagination. More prosaically, a lot fewer people are working in factories and on assembly lines. These were the great spawning grounds for union activity because the solidarity preached by labor's organizers made a lot of sense to people who really did feel that they were treated as removable parts of a large machine. of our own success" argument. The

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TX/ASHINGTON — There is

celebrations of organized labor

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Labor Day talk about the glorious

victories wrought by worker soli-

The difficulties faced by trade

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very fact that unions and liberals have managed to spread prosperity around has encouraged a lot of people to decide that solidarity, unions and the welfare state are all bunk. There is truth in all of this, particularly the troubles that unions face

because of the decline of factory work. But these explanations may also be a bit too comforting. Competitive individualism, for example, has always been a power-

ful force in the United States. Much in evidence in the speeches of Abraham Lincoln, it can hardly be seen as a creation of the 1980s. Similarly, a lot of people still think they are treated as cogs in

someone else's machine, but are less likely than in the past to turn to unions or liberals for relief. And while there is a lot of prosperity about, there is also a good deal of anger bred by economic insecurity. But angry people these days are just

or vote for Ross Perot as to pick up a union card or support a liberal. There is an alternative explana-

as likely to listen to Rush Limbaugh

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

Liberals Need to Reclaim Liberty

unions and liberals that may help to explain why so much of that popular unrest gets funneled through movements of the right. The real problem for liberals and labor is that many of get that their whole reason for existing is not to create bureaucracies. enhance government power, inhibit change in the marketplace or redis-

tribute somebody else's money. Rather, both the unions and the liberalism of the Progressive Era and hance their capacity for self-reliance. Before the rise of the factory, worked for themselves, owning their

own tools and their own shops or restrict personal freedom. farms. The factory and the assembly workers were against the free market wages, for others, as entailing.

Unions were, of course, always interested in improving wages and working conditions. But, most important, they were about restoring some semblance of control and civic equality to the average worker.

Liberalism, for its part, has . me to be associated primarily with the creation of the "welfare state" including good and popular programs such as Social Security and Medicare. But the liberalism of the Progressives and the New Deal was pri-There is also the "We're the victims marily an effort to use the power of government to enhance the liberty of those who felt powerless before large new economic institutions and the terrifyingly strange conditions of the Great Depression.

> Franklin Roosevelt, it should be recalled, did not require workers to join unions. He simply signed the Wagner Act, which set up rules under which workers could organize themselves voluntarily. He did not have government take over the farms. He established a price system aimed at keeping farmers in business. The point was to use government to help workers be self-reliant

By accepting a rhetoric that emphasizes security, state-fostered "compassion" and redistribution, liberals have ceded the rhetorical high ground to conservatives. The conservatives now are the ones who talk incessantly about liberty, opportunity and personal responsibility. Liberals and trade unionists are cast — and sometimes cast themselves — as the friends of bureaucracy, restriction and rigidity.

They ought to take this as a terrible slander, since their movement historition for the troubles confronied by cally looked to collective action and

government intervention not as ends in themselves but as a means to enhance the range of choices available to individuals and communities.

One of the most devastating comments about the failed campaign for President Bill Clinton's health plan came from a union official who their leaders have let Americans for- fought hard for the proposal. He said that audiences were shocked to learn that one of the central features of the Clinton plan required employers to offer their workers a choice among at least three health plans.

For the many workers whose employers offer only one plan, this the New Deal arose to defend the was a huge selling point. What asautonomy of individuals and to en- tounded this supporter of the Clinton plan was bow little use the administration made of the liberating a large proportion of Americans aspects of its design to counter charges that Mr. Clinton wanted to

In the case of health care, it would line engendered protest not because appear that liberals became so obsessed with arguing for compassion. but because they objected to the loss intelligent central planning and disof autonomy, personal freedom and tributive justice that they failed to dignity that they saw working for deal with the central concern of so many Americans, the freedom to decide how to care for themselves and their children.

There is a lesson here. If liberals and trade unionists let conservatives paint themselves as the only true allies of personal liberty, accountability and self-reliance, the liberal side will continue to lose.

The Washington Post.

Urban Apocalypse or Improved Public Space

WASHINGTON — A quarter-century from now, what will urban America be like? Ravaged wastelands? Or supportive, progressive communities with parks and children at play? Little noticed amid summer 1994's political rancor, the season has produced two disparate, compelling visions of where the country may be headed.

One was penned by Robert Guskind, in National Journal's 25th anniversary issue.

MEANWHILE

Looking speculatively forward to 2016. Mr. Guskind contemplated "An Urban Nightmare Come True?

The alternative vision comes from the San Francisco-based Trust for Public Land, a conservation group that has traditionally worked quietly to preserve key pieces of scenic or historic lands, rural and urban. Now the trust is going public with a dramatic, nationwide "Green Cities Initiative."

Outside of science fiction, it would be tough to equal Mr. Guskind's apocalyptic view of America's urban fate. In 2016, inner-city youth are supporting, with guerrilla tactics reminiscent of the Palestinian uprising, a gang of former drug dealers and users calling themselves the Homeland, led by an African-American nationalist named Brother Khalid. The Homeland stages robberies and shooting sprees in affluent neighborhoods. It uses the proceeds to finance housing, schools and social programs in ghettos where young black males suffer 90 percent unemployment and 95 percent of them By Neal R. Peirce

have been arrested and served time in jail. After a massive 1999 urban uprising that claimed more than 1,000 lives nationwide. Washington formed an Urban Defense Force that has been expanded to a million troops patrolling "urban military zones" in more than 100 afflicted cities and suburbs coast to coast. A sprawling federal penal colony in the Arizona desert holds a million prisoners, many sentenced by federal urban tribunals. Congress has just voted to expand the colony's capacity to 3 million.

There has been wholesale abandonment of such places as Garv. Indiana, and East St. Louis, Illinois. Municipal bankruptcies are running rampant. In principal cities, office buildings in the centers are ringed by heavily armed private guards, and employees enter through parking garages or mazes of tunnels.

To compare that chilling prognosis with the proposal et the Trust for Public Land may seem a mismatch. The trust is simply saying that if citizens want to combat urban crime. they must provide recreational space and supervision for young people in poor neighborhoods. But given the demagoguery of crime ball, or almost any social investment to preeloquent exposition. The trust's document — Must Invest in Urban Parks" — does that.

trust discovered in a survey last year, are deterio-

rating — budgetary orphans when city finances get tight. Urban parklands for sports, socializing and fresh air are general inadequate and overcrowded. Yet from Phoenix to Newark, Tampa to Philadelphia, the trust cites neighborhoods where crime has dropped when recreation programs were expanded. It quotes Newark's mayor, Sharpe James: "We are going to recreate or we are going to incarcerate. The choice is ours.

The trust says it will try to leverage government, private and foundation outlays of \$2.5 billion to make up for some of the urban parkland deficiencies of the past quarter century. If governments and citizens respond, one can imagine city parks flourishing as they did a century ago, when such great landscape architects as Frederick Law Olmsted were at work and parks were the objects of civic pride and opportunities for divergent classes to mix.

This one organization's voluntary program is emblematic of the new effort that all of American society needs to make, on every front from schools to family care to housing, to pull inner cities back from the brink and avert the social catastrophe now building.

The naysayers may deride all crime prevention outlays as "social pork." Of course, dollars have to be spent prudently and thoughtfully. bill opponents in deriding midnight basket- From welfare to public housing, many of the country's systems erv out for reform. But to vent crime, the case for prevention needs an withdraw, to spurn the park and recreation, housing, health care and job education needs of titled "Healing America's Cities: Why We inner cities and troubled older suburbs, is to invite the urban apocalypse. The Trust for Pub-Public open spaces in cities nationwide, the lie Land shows that there is another way to go.

Washington Pest Writers Group.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Crosscurrents in Cairo

If the learned men of the Vatican and the Muslim scholars at Al Azhar University in Cairo really cared about people, particularly women, and if they wanted to reduce the need for unwanted abortions, they would use their considerable influence to assist in the adoption and implementation of the draft program under consideration at the Cairo conference on population and development. The pursuit of decent health care, equal education of all kinds, environmental protection and sustainable development for women and men of all faiths is hardly heresy.

> JIM KULSTAD. Rome.

No government has the right to come between a husband and a wife or a mother and her child, or to dictate the future of marriages and families by political force or persuasion. May Cairo be a place where the world affirms the dignity of human life. JAYMIE STUART WOLFE.

Salem, Massachusetts.

Regarding the editorial "From Rwanda to Caire" (Aug. 26):

It is not only the poor countries that should be reducing birthrates. High rates may be seen as beneficial to rich countries, but only under an accounting system that treats natural resources as inexhaustible and ignores pollution and other damage to Earth. Alternative technologies can help, but we all must learn to use and pollute a great deal less and keep our numbers down. M. SCHNEIDER.

Penzance, England.

Portable-Phone Pollution

Regarding "Forced to Listen In" (Observer, Aug. 31) by Russell Buker: Mr. Baker asks: What do you do about the guy who takes the last available seat on the commuter train, beside you, pulls a phone out of his dispatch case and does business for the next hour, eight inches from your ear.

It has happened to me; maybe it was the same guy. He boarded exactly as described, just as I was

settling comforably into my newspaper, and proceeded to give orders, instructions, dressing downs. etc. His voice was not faint, and I knew my journey home was not going to be a happy one.

I had to do something, so extracting a legal pad from my briefcase I stared at him as he spoke and ostentatiously noted down everything he said in as clear and large a hand as I could muster. After a while he noticed.

"Hey, what are you doing." "I'm taking notes." I said. "That's interesting stuff."

"That's confidential," he said. "Oh, I thought it was for everybody." I pointed to a guy using a laptop computer a few rows away. "See? I think he's taking notes, too." He gathered his belongings and

continued his conversations in the corridor near the toilet. I chortled quietly all the way home.

FRANK STREICH. London.

I carry a toy telephone with me at all times. When this guy starts talking to Hong Kong I get out my

phone and become the party at the other end, complete with accent. It works every time, especially in tightly packed compartments. He has nowhere else to go.

> NORMAN SANDERS. Drammen, Norway

Diana and the Bulls

Regarding "I: Search of Diana of Ephesus" (Leisure, Aug. 26):

The writer tells us that the noted Ephesian Diana may have been misinterpreted, that what have been taken as multiple rows of breasts on the statue are actually bulls' testicles, according to the classicist Gerard Seitele. She adds that "the steer" and its testicles were symbolic of fruitfulness. From what we know about steers. this seems unlikely.

JON WINROTH. Saint-Quentin-les-Troo. France.

'Gratuitous Mud'

Regarding "A Militant Whose Mission for Peace Will Continue" (Meanwhile, Sept. 2):

In the course of praising Linus Pauling, Colman McCarthy throws gratuitous mud on American physicians. Far from being a part of his "scientific life," his advocacy of vitamin C as a cold-stopper was pure mythology, not based on any scientific observations. Very few physicians are "beholden to drug companies." How?

Furthermore, Mr. Pauling's "battles for peace" were not advanced by his very-left position, which earned him the Soviet Union's Lenin Prize.

Mr. Pauling's merits as a chemist are beyond discussion, but his peacemaking and medical proposals should be taken with quite a few grains of salt. WILLIAM KONIGSBERGER

Geneva.

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A System To Guide The Blind

Obstacles 'Talk' In Landscape of Virtual Reality

> By Daniel Goleman New York Times Service

EW YORK — The other day Dr. Reginald Golledge, who is blind, took a stroll through the campus of the University of California at Santa Barbara. As Dr. Golledge walked along, places and impediments in his path seemed to call out their names to him — "library here, library here," "bench here, bench here" — guiding him through a Disney-esque landscape of talking objects.

Dr. Golledge, a geographer at the university, was testing a prototype navigation system for the blind that announced the whereabouts of objects through headphones mounted to a computer in his backpack, creating a virtual-reality landscape. The information came not from some

miniature radar but from the signals broadcast by the military's network of global positioning satellites. One day, its developers hope, miniaturized versions of this navigation device, which now weighs 28 pounds (about 13 kilograms), will help the blind navigate unfamiliar neighborhoods.

'With this system you don't need to know a thing in advance about where you're going," said Dr. Roberta Klatzky, a psychologist at Carnegie-Mellon University who is working with Dr. Golledge to develop the navigating device, which is used in conjunction with either a cane or a guide dog. "Blind people can find their way through totally unfamiliar terrain."

The "personal navigation system," as it is being called, promises to expand blind people's horizons to unfamiliar streets and neighborhoods. Seeing Eye dogs, by contrast, rely on their owners for cues to tell them where to go.

"This system will potentially improve tremendously the freedom of movement blind people have," said Dr. Michael Oberdorfer, branch chief of the Visual Processing Program at the National Eye Institute in Bethesda, Maryland, which is financing the research. "A blind person could walk down the street and know not just that he was at 80th and Broadway, but what stores are around, and that Zabar's an object through the sounds. delicatessen was up ahead."

quickly. Simpler devices, like eyeglasses Oberdorfer said.

By Tim Hilchey

New York Tones Service

surface of the virus undergoes a radical

transformation to help infect human cells.

Their findings may also prove useful in

understanding other viruses, including the

triple-stranded molecule with identical

subunits. In its neutral state, the molecule

is shaped a bit like a broccoli floret.

The protein, called hemagglutinin, is a

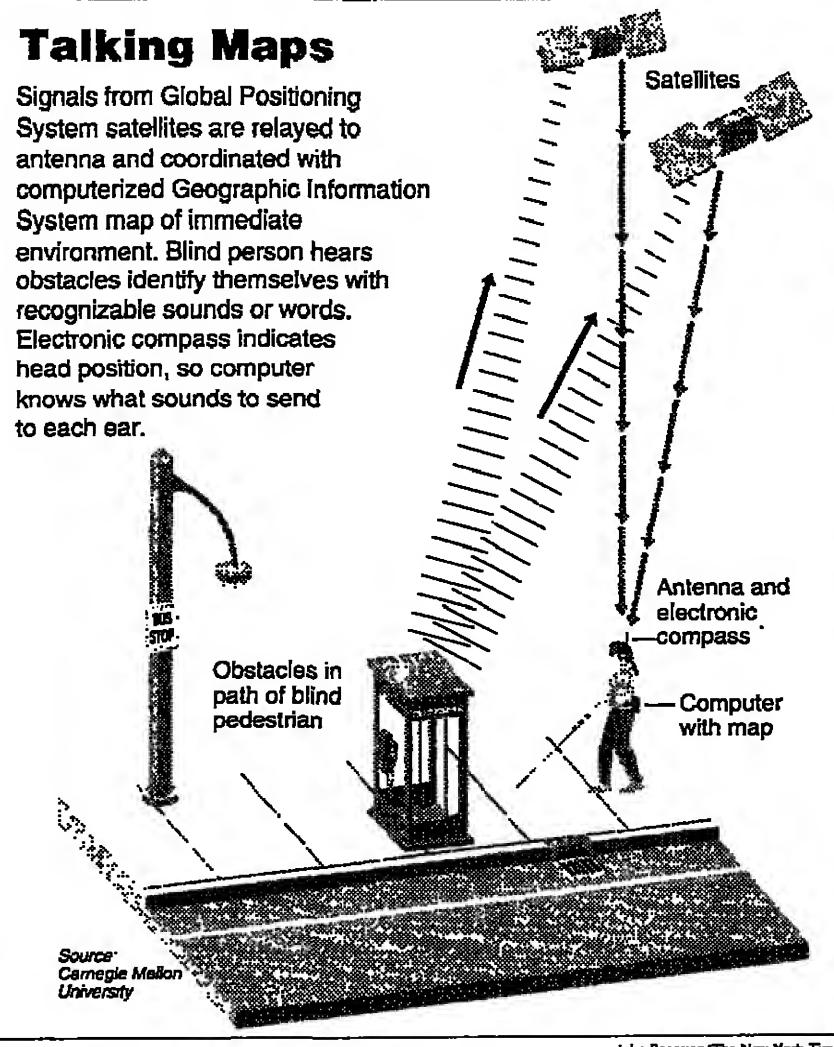
one that causes AIDS, they said.

EW YORK -- Shedding light on

the inner workings of the flu vi-

rus, researchers say they have de-

termined how a protein on the



John Papasian/The New York Times

using sonar signals to warn of looming obstacles, are much closer to market. The Japanese electronics maker NEC Corp. says it has installed a system in Vaxjo, Sweden, that allows the blind to navigate streets using a cane fitted with magnetic sensors, Bloomberg reported from Tokyo. The cane vibrates when it touches pieces of magnetic iron embedded in pavement.]

HE navigation system uses signals from a satellite-linked positioning device and a computerized map to create a "virtual acoustic display," a kind of talking map in which large objects seem to announce themselves in the headphones with the precise timing and loudness that would be the case if the objects were actually making a sound.

This allows the blind person to sense immediately their distance and direction and use that information for guidance. While no one knows whether it's because blind people tend to develop a sharper sense of hearing, those who have tried the system say they quickly adapt to locating

"One of the crucial features of this sys-The developers estimate that everyday tem is that it takes advantage of sensory use of such devices is at least a decade psychophysics — how the brain interprets away, but as other technologies have signals from outside to make a map of your shown, advances can come much more surroundings so you can navigate," Dr.

Flu Virus Yields Important Clue

Three globular heads containing recep-

tor-binding sites are mounted on three

connected stalks that protrude from the

membrane surrounding the virus, said Dr.

Don C. Wiley, a researcher with the How-

ard Hughes Medical Institute at Harvard

"Before it binds with a cell, the protein

on the surface of the flu virus is in one

shape," Dr. Wiley said in a telephone in-

terview. "Afterwards, it changes its shape

radically in order to be able to fuse viral

may have wider implications. "Many dif-

ferent viruses have proteins that cause this

kind of fusion event," he said. "So you

Dr. Wiley suggested that the finding

University. The stalks are helical.

and cell membranes together."

The device relies on a triangulation of signals from four to eight Global Positioning Satellites to find the person's precise location. That information is transmitted to the computer, which contains the map. An electronic compass on the person's head tells the computer the exact position of the ears, so that it can then send messages calibrated to mimic a voice from the location of the object.

On a walk through the campus at the University of California at Santa Barbara, for instance, a simple version of the system might simulate a steady sound that would get louder as Dr. Golledge approached.

The developers are testing different messages, like "library is 30 feet ahead. 20 feet ahead, 10 feet ahead," or compass readings, like "library is at 30 degrees," to see which work best. A more sophisticated version, narrates a journey down the street in terms of the main landmarks being passed. "You'd hear 'I'm the library, I'm the library,' coming from the direction of the library, and it would alternate with other landmarks calling their name, like 'art museum here, art museum here,' to orient you," Dr. Klatzky said. "Then as you reached the building you're going to, it would tell you, 'entrance here, entrance here,' coming from the right direction."

have the feeling that if you understood the

fundamental mechanism of fusion, you

might understand something not just

about one virus, but about lots of different

viruses, for example, measles virus, HIV-1

structure of the protein in 1981. Last week,

after 13 more years of molecular detective

work, both by their own team and others,

they announced their latest discovery: the

structure of the protein after it binds with a

target cell. Binding of the protein with a

cell's surface receptors, then fusion of the

viral and cell membranes must occur be-

fore infection takes place. Their findings

were reported in the journal Nature.

THE FRONT PAGE

The researchers discovered the basic

and flu.

What Made the Pterosaur Fly?

By Malcolm W. Browne New York Times Service

EW YORK — Disagreement over the wing structure of extinct flying reptiles has led to a lacerat-ing scientific debate between paleontologists.

Important issues, including the precise relationships between dinosaurs, pterosaurs and birds, could eventually be affected by the debate. But for the moment, attention centers on the fossil remnant of a single reptile about the size of a crow that flew over what is now Kazakhstan 156 million years ago.

Given the erroneous scientific name Sordes pilosus, meaning "hairy evil spirit," this little pterosaur had a pointed beak lined with needle-sharp teeth, and a long, flexible tail that may have helped it maneuver.

Paleontologists no longer believe that Sordes pilosus had hair, but its original name has stuck. The creature had long, membranous wings, in which an elongated string of bones equivalent to those in the fourth finger of a human hand served as the supporting structure.

The latest voiley in the debate over pterosaur wings was fired in a report in the British journal Nature. The article argued

that pterosaurs, flying reptiles that were contemporaries (and relatives) of the dinosaurs, had fleshy membranes extending from their wing tips along their bodies all the way to their hind feet. The authors said a membrane extension, called a uropatagium, bridged the space between the animal's ankles, giving it a dive brake or flap useful for maneuvering in low-speed flight, but severely hampering the pterosaur's locomotion on the ground.

The authors of the study, Dr. David M. Unwin and Dr. Natasha N. Bakhurina. paleontologists at the University of Bristol, England, said the fossil evidence suggested that pterosaurs were agile flyers, but as ungainly as grounded bats when crawling.

The scientists concluded that all pterosaurs, not only the small Sordes pilosus, probably had much more extensive wing membranes than those depicted in traditional restorations of these animals.

The Sordes pilosus Dr. Unwin and Dr. Bakhurina studied was excavated in the 1960s from a rich Jurassic period fossil bed near Karatau, Kazakhstan, by Soviet pale-ontologists. The stone in this deposit is very fine-grained, and the details of fossils embedded in it, even the outlines of fleshy membranes, have been superbly preserved. An opposing interpretation of pterosaur

wing structure has long been argued by Dr. Kevin Padian of the University of California at Berkeley. Dr. Padian believes that pterosaurs had walking gaits like those of modern birds, and that their hind legs were unencumbered by linkage to wing mem-

R. Padian believes that the hind limbs of pterosaurs more closely resemble those of birds and dinosaurs than they do those of bats. and that since birds walk erect on two feet, pterosaurs did, too. For one thing, he said. the top of a pterosaur femur, or thigh bone, is set off at an angle of 90 degrees to its hip bone — an arrangement that would have made movement much more natural if the animal's legs extended directly downward from the body than otherwise. Also, he said, the fibia leg bone of the pterosaur is much smaller in relation to its tibia leg bone than is the case with crocodiles and lizards typical crawling reptiles.

"So the reconstruction of Sordes pilosus proposed by these guys," Dr. Padian said, would effectively dislocate the animal's

Dr. Padian said that neither he nor some of his colleagues have been given a chance to examine the contentious fossil directly.

New Schizophrenia Treatment

New York Times Service EW YORK — Among the most intractable symptoms of schizophrenia are those that are the most subtle, including social withdrawal, emotional flatness and apathy, which do not respond to most existing medications.

But new studies are finding that very large doses of a form of glycine, a common amino acid, may offer relief from these "negative" symptoms. The finding, reported in The American Journal of Psychiatry, is potentially of great importance, because the negative symptoms are more persistent than more blatant ones, like delusions and hallucinations, and account for some of the most debilitating effects of the disorder.

Glycine, which appears to have only minor side effects, could one day offer an alternative to other medications that help with negative symptoms but have risky, potentially fatal, side effects.

But before such a glycine remedy for schizophrenia is possible, a synthetic form will have to be devised, which penetrates the brain more effectively than does gly-

cine in its natural form, researchers say. In the study, 14 patients who had been hospitalized for schizophrenia on and off for 5 to 10 years were given massive doses of glycine. Those who took the glycine showed a marked improvement in negative symptoms, while a comparison group taking a placebo showed no improvement. The paients were evaluated by psychiatrists who

did not know who was taking the glycine. "We used extremely ill, chronic, deteriorated patients," said Dr. Stephen R. Zukin, a psychiatrist at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in in New York, and a coauthor of the study. "Most had schizophrenia for 15 to 20 years."

One patient, for example, was a 39-yearold man whose first symptom of schizophrenia, in his 20s, was the belief that aliens

had implanted a radio in his brain. "He; hears voices commanding his activities," said Dr. Ilana Zylberman, another coauthor of the report.

Over the years since that first episode,

the man, like most of the other patients in the study, suffered from increasingly severe negative symptoms -- like withdrawal from former activities and apathy. Dr. Zylberman began giving him the

glycine. After eight weeks, the man started making small but significant efforts to reconnect with the world around him. Heartened by such small victories, the researchers are beginning a second round of testing on 30 patients doubling the dose

of glycine. The idea that glycine might help with negative symptoms was first proposed in 1988 by Dr. Rafig Waziri, a psychiatrist at the University of Iowa.

Daniel Goleman

when Bunch visited it in subur-

ban Chicago, and its founder,

David Rockola, was in a nurs-

ing home. (He died last year at

best, a celebration of America

and its hardscrabble, conten-

tious diversity. Bunch finally

finds his ultimate jukebox in-

Detroit. There, at Honest?

John's Bar (the question mark is

part of the name) in that racial-

ly torn city, blacks mingled eas-

ily with whites, and the jukebox

was stocked with everything

from Louis Armstrong to the

Temptations, from Elton John

to Prince. Best of all, with 2,600

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"Jukebox America" is, at its.

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BOOKS

WHAT THEY'RE READING

JUKEBOX AMERICA: Down Back Streets and

Blue Highways in Search of the Country's Greatest

By William Bunch. 293 pages. \$22. St. Martin's.

Reviewed by David Nicholson

THIS has got to be a joke, I right? A reporter in his 30s, about to marry and buy a house, has an epiphany while listening to Nancy Sinatra's

"These Boots Are Made for Walkin'" in a New York bar. This "personal message from the Spirit in the Sky, spoken through a strange female muse," turns out to be a command to travel across America, looking for the country's greatest jukebox, the "Juke of the Covenant

Fortunately, after its fauxhip, self-infatuated beginning, "Jukebox America" gets a whole lot better. Once author William Bunch gets on the road and outside himself, he proves a pretty fair reporter, observant and adventurous, capable of writing fine, evocative prose. Until then however, he's just another thirtysomething guy whining about being a member of a generation that never got to

do any of the good stuff. Over a period of about two years, Bunch traveled from Hoboken, New Jersey, where he works as a reporter for Newsday, to the Mississippi Delta, to Detroit, Seattle, Chicago and Baltimore. He went looking for jukeboxes, and he found them. What he really found, and

for all along, was America. In Hoboken, the all-Sinatra 45 rpm jukebox at Leo's Grandevous restaurant, a "neon altar" to the city's native son, was gone. In its place was a new CD jukebox with only two Sinatra selections.

what I suspect he was looking

Like the good reporter he is, Bunch kept digging and turned you also have to listen to what up some good stories — like everyone eise plays. how one-time band leader Mike Milo, now proprietor of a Hoboken record store, gave Sina-

• John Nix, a U. S. State Department official dealing with international narcotics traffic, is reading "Driving Force" by Dick Francis. "All his novels are wonderful

and instructive. His knowledge of horses and horse racing is quite remarkable."

Farther on down the road, in

Little Blue's Cafe in Longwood,

date for the Juke of the Cove-

nant, "one of those ancient con-

sole models, designed to look

like a home hi-fi of the late '40s,

with a heavy brown lid that was

pulled open and a big speaker

in its base." The jukebox was so

covered with dust that the selec-

tions - Z.Z. Hill, Albert King,

Freddy King, Clarence Carter

— were written on several

pieces of paper taped to the lid.

blues of John Horton and his

Special Occasion Band, featur-

ing Old Blind Jebby on har-

monica, with their "rollicking

uptempo sound, the kind of

contemporary blues one might

hear today from Son Seals."

The names are so perfect that

he couldn't possibly have made

It's no accident that so much

of Bunch's travels centered on

blue-collar, working-class

towns or the rural South and

Midwest. There's still a tradi-

tion of neighborhood bars in

places like Chicago and Balti-

more, and jukeboxes, as he ob-

serves, are cheap entertain-

ment. They're democratic, to

boot. You put your money in

The jukebox didn't work, ex-

fame in 1935.

(Michael Kallenbach, IHT)



of a movie short with Major non. Once there were as many Bowes of "Amateur Hour" as half a million jukeboxes in America; now there are half that number, and jukeboxes with CDs are replacing those

Mississippi, he found a candi- with 45 rpm records. Meanwhile, the Rock-Ola company, makers of the last pear regularly in The Washing-American jukebox, was for sale : ton Post.

Thompson, plans to keep his old jukebox for a while. David Nicholson's reviews ap-

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott THE freak hand shown in the diagram helped Bert Polii and George Soo, sitting/ East and West, to win the Open tape deck through the speaker. East Championships, in New Still, Bunch got to hear the Zast Championships, in New cept when Little Blue played a Pair Championship at the Far

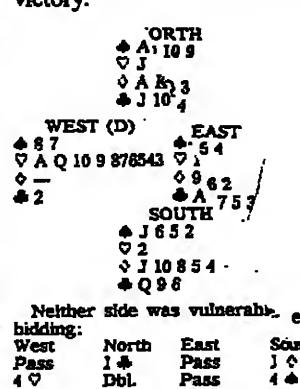
Soo passed as dealer with his 10-card suit. He followed by jumping to four hearts, and North doubled. South did well to retreat, but he die not realize that he had reached the par contract with four spades. That was headed for a two-trick defeat, and he should have passed

when doubled: his partner knew that the four-spade bid must be based on a four-card suit, and he could retreat if he saw fit . Instead South frightened by

East's double, ventured four no-trump, assuming that North held a heart stopper. Both players stood their ground when this was doubled, and North was surely wrong to do so, holding a and you get your choice, but fit in both his partner's suits. Five diamonds doubled would have cost a mere 300, although And that is the subtext of it is likely that West would have Pass

held the guarded heart king. and led a spade. He was worried when dummy produced a heart. folit now seemed likely that his parner was void and that his hant would take no tricks. Sout could have resigned himself u taking six tricks by putting w the spade ace, but instead le took a desperate. finesse and made no tricks at

Down h gave East-West the rare score # 2,600 en route to



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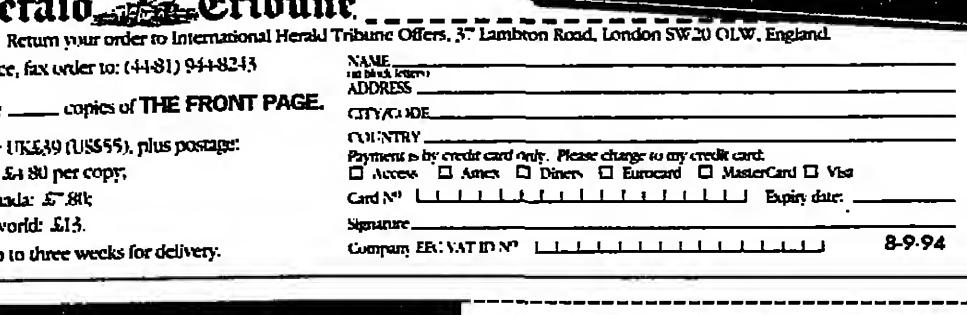
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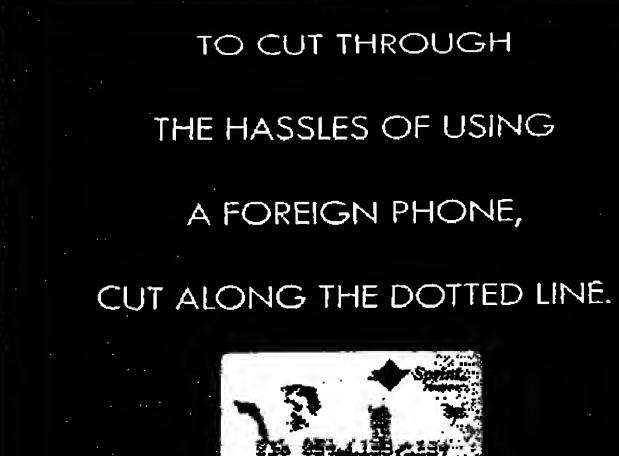
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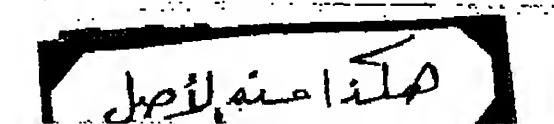




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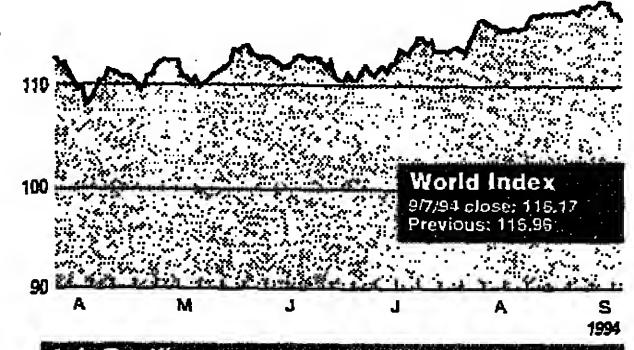
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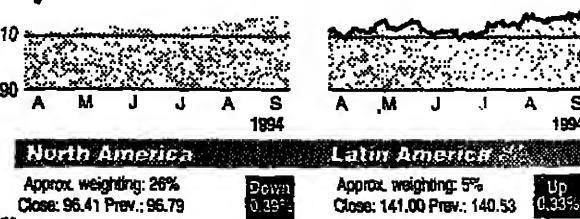
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IBM Chief In Europe Decides

To Leave

Bloomberg Braines News PARIS - International Business Machines Corp. said Wednesday the head of its European operations had resigned after a year on the job, and a spokesman described the move as "a surprise to people outside and inside the company."

The American computer maker said Hans-Olaf Henkel 54, would be succeeded as chief executive officer of IBM World Trade Europe/Middle East/Africa Corp. by Lucio Stanca, 52, general manager of IBM's Southern Europe, Middle East and Africa unit.

Mr. Henkel and Mr. Stanca could not be reached for com-

Mr. Henkel, who has worked for IBM for 33 years and was the first German national to become the head of the European operation, is retiring from the company to "pursue personal options in his home country." IBM said.

He will remain chairman of the division for the rest of the year and is expected to be nominated to the post of chairman of the supervisory board of IBM Germany.

Analysts sought to quell speculation that Mr. Henkel had been a victim of the major restructuring at IBM.

"IBM is in much better shape than last year at this time," said Jane Doorly, a British-based analyst for Dataquest Inc. "I don't expect that he was pushed out."

Ms. Doorly said speculation was rife that Mr. Henkel was moving to a better job with another company. She did not elaborate.

The company said the change in personnel would not affect the overhaul of worldwide operations that IBM put in place

The Race for Development Calcutta Must Outrun Its Past to Win

By Kevin Murphy International Herald Tribune

CALCUTTA - Once grand but now decrepit, like the rest of the crumbling city center and many of India's state-owned businesses, the country's oldest hotel may soon be sold to foreigners and renovated as a five-star establishment.

Its glory days decamped with the British raj, but the Great Eastern Hotel is now a prominent test case for the future india's economic re-

Long identified with a colonial past, the Great Eastem's standards slid steadily with a Calcutta wracked by militant unionism in the 1950s and 1960s, nationalization in the 1970s and recent operating losses.

But if a deal between France's Accor SA hotel company and the state of West Bengal's Marxist-led government can be struck in a trade union stronghold like Calcutta, anything might be possible in India these days.

Despite its troubled image, Calcutta and West Bengal have aggressively entered the race for private investment, pledging to rein in the union power base and open the ail-

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

JAKARTA - Indonesia's

forestry minister said Wednes-

day that the government want-

ed nearly half the equity in two

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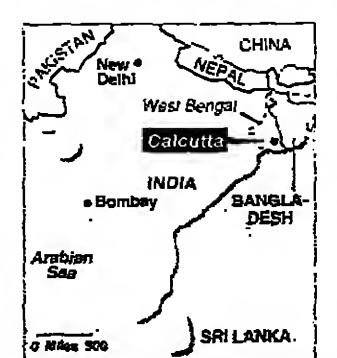
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ing infrastructure sector to private investment.

"Senior state officials we used to chase them, now they're coming to us," said Anil Ambani, joint managing director of Reliance Industries Ltd., India's largest private-sector company.

Indeed, Calcutta hopes to reclaim its pre-independence dominance of Indian heavy industry, with less interference from New Delhi bureaucrats and the repeal of national freight subsidies that nullified West Bengal's advantage of proximity to natural resources in India's mineral-rich east.

A skilled work force, cheaper land and lower labor costs than in other major cities, the strongest rural growth



Indonesia Asks Logging Stake

cession areas of Barito Pacific

Timber, has offered to take a 49

percent stake in the logging

subsidiaries, with a further 2

percent going to cooperatives to

help improve forest manage-

ment. Otherwise, it threatened

Prayogo Pangestu, who con-

to cancel Barito's concessions.

trols Barito, rejected the govern-

ment proposal in August, offer-

Meanwhile, Barito said the

forestry minister was referring

ing instead a 25 percent stake.

of any state in India and its position near Southeast Asia form the planks of a major campaign to attract investment that relies on cooperation with the unions.

The stakes are high, both for West Bengal and for the country. Whether Calcutta falters or succeeds in the increasingly competitive scramble for investment among cities and states may help determine the long-term success of India's economic liberalization and the spread of its benefits, analysts say.

Given New Delhi's bid to repair its fiscal deficit most Indian states now find themselves in largely unknown, uncomfortable territory. competing for investment once largely doled out by bureauctais.

"Today you will find a lot more competition, a lot more awareness among state leaders of the importance of creating a more hospitable climate for enterprise," said Manmohan Singh, India's finance minister and a catalyst for economic change in New Delhi_

In the race to attract investors, two states nearest the financial and national capitals, Maharashtra and Delhi,

to two companies that were not

part of the publicly traded Bar-

were running 50 percent higher

than estimated sustainable cuts.

The government said in July

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Bundesbank Says Markets Heard Wrong

Central Bank Claims Chief Sees Scope for Rate Cuts

By Brandon Mitchener International Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT - In an unusual move, the Bundesbank sought Wednesday to put a reverse spin on comments by its president that have pushed up interest rates in the bond market this week and sent stock prices plunging.

The Bundesbank said that the markets were incorrect in assuming the remarks by Hans Tietmeyer meant that German rates could go no lower.

Far from ruling out cuts in official interest rates, a central bank spokesman said, Mr. Tietmeyer only hinted that the declines should not be expected in the next few weeks. The spokesman made the comments in an unsolicited phone call to the International Herald Tribune.

Rising yields in the bond market trouble the Bundesbank because they increase the cost of German government and industrial borrowing and thus work against economic growth.

Separately, the president of the Bundesbank's regional central bank in Hamburg said there was room for German interest rate reductions despite the recent strength in the German economy.

Yields on long-term German government bonds have risen The government move was and stock prices have fallen viewed as a way of backing up a since Sunday, when Mr. Tietdeclared goal of improving enmeyer told a group of business vironmental conditions in some leaders in Bieleseld that the of the world's biggest tropical powerful German central bank would pursue a "steady hand" The World Bank said in a on monetary policy in coming 1993 report on Indonesia that harvests from tropical forests

The yield on the benchmark 10-year German bund was steady at 7.49 percent on Wednesday, but it was 7.29 perthat it would reduce timber harcent before Mr. Tietmever's vests by nearly one third over comments on Sunday.

The Barito group has inter-Markets have apparently ests ranging from timber and overlooked other comments by vehicles to construction. Barito the Bundesbank president that Pacific is one of the world's hint at further opportunities for rate reductions, the spokesman leading plywood suppliers. said Wednesday. "Barito has done consider-

able damage to forests under its control," the minister said. German rates "does not mean

flagpole on interest rate cuts," Mr. Tietmeyer also said Sunday. "Short-term interest rates

have already fallen considerably and — as far as we're concerned — set the stage for a continuation of the economic recovery. But I never say never." Mr. Tietmever told a Ger-

man newspaper on Monday. Meanwhile, in an interview with The European weekly newspaper, excerpts of which were made available Wednesday. Hans-Jürgen Krupp, president of the regional central bank in Hamburg, said the Bundesbank must position itself to raise rates when the German recovery picked up speed by cutting them sufficiently in advance.

"I can see room for rate reductions despite good economic progress and some need for action on the rate front so that the Bundesbank has its instruments at its disposal when developments begin to move in See RATES, Page 10

Head of Opel Sees Solid Sales Gain

Bloomberg Business Years

FRANKFURT — The chief executive of General Motor Corp.'s Adam Opel AG took issue with gloomy forecasts of European car sales by Volkswagen AG, predicting a gain of 5 percent to 6.5 percent this year.

"Maybe his sales won't rise," said the Opel chief executive officer, David J. Herman. referring to the VW chief executive. Ferdinand Piech. "We don't share his pessimistic view, Last month, Mr. Piech said European car sales would be flat for the year.

Meanwhile, BMW AG announced it was adding 700 production workers to its assembly plant to handle increased demand for its autos in the second half. The company said it reached agreement with its workers' council to add the po-Keeping a "steady hand" on sitions by extending short-term contracts to an unlimited-con-(AFP, Reuters) that we've reached the end of the tract-term status.

INTERNATIONAL MANAGER

Carrots, Sticks and Growing Pains

By Barnaby J. Feder New York Times Service

UCLID, Ohio - For two decades Lincoln Electric Co., the largest American maker of arc welders and welding supplies, has been studied by Harvard Business School students as a model for how to motivate workers.

Students and managers from other companies are intrigued because Lincoln has gone further than any other large manufacturer in matching compensation to each employee's productivity and to the profitability of the company. Since 1934 Lincoln has parceled out almost as much in bonuses as in salaries.

The bonus pool is divided among employees on the basis of ratings of each one's output, quality, dependability and degree of cooperativeness with other workers.

The system includes a no-layoff guarantee that the company has never violated. But it is also brutally demanding, forcing workers into constant competition with each other to produce more with fewer mistakes. Lincoln offers few of the fringe bene-

fits that many workers elsewhere take for granted: no pay for sick days or holidays, for example. These days, though, problems at Lin-

coln are forcing Harvard to update its case study. Many stem from the mess the company made of a rapid buildup over-

seas in the late 1980s.

The most immediate concern is how the company can keep domestic productivity growing at past levels while workers in Euclid resent seeing their bonuses

The resentment was tempered in 1992 and 1993 when Lincoln paid sizable bo-

Lincoln's predicament is a warning about how easy it is to underestimate the challenges of other cultures.

nuses to American workers despite posting the first overall losses in its 99-year history. Now comes the harder part. Donald F. Hastings, the chairman and chief executive, has made a video telling U.S. workers that bonuses might decline this year, even though the company ex-

pects record sales and profits. Mr. Hastings said shareholders had already given up bonus dividends for two years.

He said the workers would have to carry a bigger share of the burden this year to let Lincoln reduce its debts from the expansion abroad and invest in new equipment. Otherwise, he warned. the company could be bankrupted by the next domestic downturn.

The news left many workers feeling "ripped off," Percy Robinson, a tool and die maker for the company, said.

Switzerland.

Lincoln's predicament is a warning to American companies about how easy it is to underestimate the challenges of other cultures.

From 1986 to 1992, Lincoln expanded from five plants in four countries to 21 plants in 15 countries. "We did it too last, paid too much; we didn't understand foreign markets and cultures, and then we got hit by recession," Mr. Hastings said of the strategy in his video presentation.

The extent of the problems was a sobering experience for the company. Mr. Hastings recruited outside board members to bring fresh perspectives to planning, including Edward E. Hood Jr., the recently retired vice chairman of General Electric Co.; and Paul E. Lego, the former chairman and chief executive of Westinghouse Electric Co.

Lincoln has also focused on building a more cooperative relationship with its distributors. It also loosened some rules, such as a ban on investing in new equipment that could not pay for itself within a year.

The cloud over all this is the debt piled up to finance overseas expansion. Initially, the debt load made the company more determined to cram the labor system that

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Trade Group Set to Discuss GATT Issues

By Alan Friedman International Herald Tribune

PARIS - Nations representing nearly two-thirds of total world trade will begin debating market-opening measures this weekend in sectors that were left out of last year's groundbreaking Uruguay Round trade accord, U.S. and European officials said Wednesday.

The three days of talks in Los Angeles will be hosted by Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, who on Friday will convene the Quadrilateral Group, consisting of trade ministers from the United States, European Union, Japan and Canada.

The "Quad" meeting will discuss ways to lower trade barriers in the telecommunications. financial services and aviation sectors, along with what Mr. Kantor described on Wednesday as "a whole range of issues we didn't address in the Uruguay Round" of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Separately, high-level U.S. and Japanese officials kicked off a round of meetings in Washington on Wednesday amid speculation that progress was being made to defuse the See GATT, Page 10



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Rate Rise Fears Burden Wall Street

Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispatches NEW YORK — Wall Street was weighed down Wednesday by concern that accelerating inflation would prompt the Federal Reserve Board to raise interest rates for the sixth time this year, putting pressure on corporate profits.

"Inflation could reheat as a significant factor once again,

U.S. Stocks

said Eugene E. Peroni, market analyst at Janney Montgomery Scott in Philadelphia.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished down 12.45 points, at 3,886.25, while on the New York Stock Exchange, losing issues outnumbered gaining ones by an 11-to-10 ratio.

Weak Treasury bond prices weighed on stock-market sentiment. The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond fell 6/32, to 99 8/32, sending its yield to 7.56 percent from 7.54 percent. Bond prices fell after the gov-

ernment said revised up its estimate of labor costs in the second quarter and lowered its measure of productivity. The fall in productivity suggests higher fabrication costs.

Rising commodity prices also

flashed an inflation warning to the bond market. Inflation erodes the value of fixed-income securities.

Hanson PLC's American depositary receipts were the most actively traded issue on the NYSE, slipping 1/2 to 195% in dividend-related trading.

American Barrick Resource rose 1/2 to 23% after the company said it won control of Lac Minerals, gaining more than 80 percent of its common shares.

Semiconductor stocks were strong, led by Nextel, which rose 1 to 24% after being rated a buy at Lehman Brothers.

America Online rose 31/2 to 81 after the provider of computer on-line services reorganized into four operating companies. Lotus Development added 2% to 441/2 after the software maker introduced a bundled version of its 1-2-3 Release 5 spreadsheet software for Windows and Approach 3.0 database program.

Philip Morris slipped 1/4 to 60%. The company was sued Wednesday by the state of Florida, which accused it of inflating its stock price temporarily by failing to disclose that nicotine is (Bloomberg, AP) addictive.

RATES: Bundesbank Clarifies

Continued from Page 9 the opposite direction." Mr.

Krupp was quoted as saying. The Bundesbank last cut its discount and Lombard rates, its cheapest and most expensive forms of bank financing, respectively, on May 13. The discount rate stands at 4.5 percent and the Lombard rate at 6 percent. The

Foreign Exchange

central bank's market-sensitive securities repurchase rate has been fixed between the discount and Lombard at 4.85 percent for almost seven weeks.

In his comments on Sunday, Mr. Tietmeyer differentiated between trends in short-term and long-term rates. While shortterm rates are steady and have potential to fall, long-term rates appear bound to rise, he said.

This rise is clearly tied to international developments. which we cannot entirely escape," he told the regional German daily Neue Westfälische. He said he hoped that longterm rates had "more or less reached their peak."

German Talk Lifts Dollar The regional Bundesbank official's comments suggesting rate day, Bloomberg Business News

reported from New York. "Krupp's comments gave the dollar a pop," said Matt Porio. a trader at Chase Manhattan Bank. "He caught the market off guard because many people think European rates are bottoming."

The dollar finished in New York at 1.5505 DM, up from 1.5338 DM Tuesday. The dollar also rose to 99.45 yen from 98.65 yen, to 5.3140 French francs from 5.2860 francs and. to 1.2980 Swiss francs from NYSE 1.2945. The pound weakened to \$1.5445 from \$1.5525.

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U.S. Workers' Productivity Declines

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — American workers' product tivity declined a revised 2.5 percent in the second quarter as production costs increased, the Labor Department said Wednesday. The decline was the largest in five years.

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The second quarter's decline in productivity was initially estign mated as 1.2 percent, after a 2.9 percent increase in the fired quarter. Unit labor costs for nonfarm businesses rose 3.4 percent during the quarter, compared with 2 percent in the first estimate. The report "is a little more nerve-wracking" for Wall Street, because the rise in labor and production costs suggest inflation could accelerate. Astrid Adolfson of MCM Money Watch said.

Daimler Buys More of Detroit Diesel

DETROIT (Bloomberg) - A subsidiary of Daimler-Benz AG has exercised its option to purchase 2.4 million newly issued. shares of Detroit Diesel Corp. for \$38.6 million, boosting its stake in the company to 20 percent.

Detroit Diesel is developing an engine for heavy-duty trucks Now in testing, the engine is scheduled for production next year at! Detroit Diesel's plant in Redford Township, Michigan.

Ronald Haft Increases Stake in Dart

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — Ronald Haft raised his stake in ? Dart Group Corp. to 79 percent of its Class B shares in a move to ? wrest control of the retailing concern from his father, according to documents filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Haft family members have been feuding for months. "I have difficulty reconciling my father's behavior with the legal standards that I understand to apply to companies that accept the public's money as investors," Ronald Mr. Haft said in a letter to Dart's outside directors. He was referring to an \$18 million loan his father tried to obtain from Dart. The SEC documents were filed Tuesday.

Compaq Predicts Slimmer Margins

HOUSTON (Bloomberg) — Compaq Computer Corp. probably will have slimmer gross margins through the remainder of the year, and its closely watched inventory level could grow, the company's treasurer said Wednesday.

Compaq's gross margin of 27 percent in the second quarter is probably unsustainable if the company wants to continue building market share, said David. J. Schemps. Compaq's goal is to maintain a gross margin of 23 percent to 25 percent of sales.

Campbell Soup Reports Higher Net

CAMDEN, New Jersey (Reuters) - Campbell Soup Co. said Wednesday that growth in its U.S. businesses helped its fourthquarter net income increase 16 percent.

The company earned \$142 million in the quarter, up from \$122 million in the same period last year. Sales were flat at \$1.47 billion? For the year, net income before charges rose 13 percent to \$630million, while sales increased 2 percent to \$6.69 billion. Campbell Soup shares were up \$1 to \$39.625.

For the Record

Home Shopping Network Inc. has bought Internet Shopping; Network, which offers users of the Internet computer network the opportunity to shop on-line for approximately 20,000 computer, related products from nearly 1,000 companies.

American Home Products Corp. said Wednesday it had agreed: to invest as much as \$44 million in Ligand Pharmaceuticals Inc. to develop drugs involving female hormones.

GATT: Quadrilateral Group Prepares to Meet on Remaining Uruguay Round Trade Issues

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dispute over the U.S.-Japanese trade talks. In July, the United States threatened trade sanctions against Japan unless Tokyo acted to end discrimination in government purchases of telecommunications and medical equipment. Mr. Kantor set a

to satisfy U.S. demands. One sign that Washington cuts were not out of the question and Tokyo are keen to avoid a shored up the dollar on Wednes- trade showdown was the flurry

deadline of Sept. 30 for Japan

Ryutaro Hashimoto, Japan's minister of international trade and industry, had separate sessions with Mr. Kantor; with Robert Rubin, assistant to President Bill Clinton on economic policy; and with Ronald H. Brown, the secretary of com-

in millions.

Mr. Brown, who was discussing ways to open Japan's auto market, proclaimed himself optimistic ahead of the talks.

of meetings in Washington. Thursday in Los Angeles with MacLaren, Canada's trade min- no objection to "informal disthe Japanese foreign minister, Yohei Kono, who will join the Quad meetings. The presence of Mr. Kono was deemed in Tokyo to be a hopeful sign, as was his expected return to Washington for a meeting with Mr. Clinton this month.

Mr. Kantor said Wednesday. however, that it would be wrong to expect an immediate breakthrough in the framework talks. Looking ahead to this week-Mr. Kantor will also meet end, Mr. Hashimoto and Roy

ister, agreed that the Quad group should back Mr. Clinton's proposal to review obstacles to trade in sectors not settled by the Uruguay Round, Reuters reported from Ottawa. Mr. Clinton made the proposal during the Group of Seven summit in Naples in July but withdrew it in the face of opposition

from France and Germany. On Wednesday, an aide to Sir Leon Brittan, the EU trade commissioner, said there was Russia.

cussions at the Quad." But he warned that the G-7 and Quad meetings should not be used to "upstage" post-Uruguay Round talks at the new World Trade Organization, the successor to GATT, which is to be launched in January.

Also to be discussed at the Quad meetings will be progress on ratifying the GATT accord and the status of applicants such as China, Taiwan and

IMF Says Recession Is Over

Agence France-Presse WASHINGTON — The International Monetary Fund said Wednesday it was more optimistic about the world economy than it had been six months ago, and announced that industrialized countries had emerged

from a global recession. In the United States, economic growth will hit 3.7 percent for 1994 and 2.5 percent for 1995, the IMF said.

Germany should see 2 percent growth this year, better than the 0.8 percent the IMF predicted in April. France should not be far off the 1.1 percent that the IMF

predicted in April. In Japan, signs of recovery are also beginning to appear, it said.

Developing countries will continue to outstrip the industrialized nations, posting roughly 6 percent growth.

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perdiction of military The company earned £280 million (\$434 million) in the half, THICH IS SERVING TO THE AND ADDRESS OF ter general to the delight up from £264 million in the first rangellan a transfer a training six months of 1993. The results M. Mar But the Same included a one-time gain of £45 Maich Phachard and million for the sale of Pasminco A steady the state of the state

Ltd. by RTZ's part-owned Aus- offset by flat copper and zinc tralian subsidiary CRA Ltd. RTZ's sales slipped to £1.86

billion from £2.41 billion, partly because of the Pasminco sale. Increased production contributed £25 million to net profit, mostly from better perfor-

mances in RTZ's U.S. copper. gold and coal operations and its Escondida copper mine in Chile. Increased prices for gold, lead, silver and aluminum were

The property of the state of th Total's Half Is Unchanged

Bloomberg Business News

office of the state of the stat William Could be to the long to be PARIS - Total SA weathered a slump in oil prices to The rithing of history report a net profit virtually unchanged at 1.83 billion French francs (\$340 million) in the first half of this year, thanks to a rise in oil output and profit from chemicals.

The net profit for Total, France's second-largest oil compaany, trailing only Elf Aquitaine S.4, compares with 1.81 billion francs a year earlier and was in line with most expectations. ed Euron Analysts said it reflected Total's efforts to trim costs under a three-year program designed to lop 2 billion francs off its fixed costs by end of 1996.

Operating profit, excluding financial and onetime items, was also virtually unchanged at 3.52 billion francs, compared with 3.49 billion. It came despite a falling dollar, the currency in which oil is priced; and drops in the Brent crude price and reduced refining profit margins.

Total's chairman, Serge Tchuruk, refused to predict the outcome for the full year, citing volatility in crude prices and refining margins. "I am not brimming with optimism about the coming months," he said.

prices and reduced iron and coal prices. The net effect was to lift earnings by £16 million, said Robert Wilson, the chief

A fall in tax charges contributed a further £17 million to

executive of RTZ

"RTZ's first-half performance in 1994 benefited not only from higher metal prices and improving economic conditions in most major markets, but also from continuing economic growth resulting from our ongoing capital investment program," Mr. Wilson said.

The results exceeded analysts' expectations and sent RTZ's shares up to 883 pence from 871 pence.

But Mr. Wilson warned that over the next 12 months there would be fewer production increases and the company would rely more on metal prices and cost cutting for earnings growth.

Additionally, he said the improved economic outlook, particularly in the United States and Germany, may already be "fully discounted in metals prices."

He said current strong U.S. demand for copper was unsustainable but the shortfall should be taken up by rising demand in (Bloomberg, AFX)

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Although ultrajumbo jets with twice the capacity of existing airplanes sound alluring when air traffic is forecast to double and then triple in the next century, many industry executives have said they had their doubts.

Routes into congested Asian airports are the sost likely candidates for the big jets, but if arlines develop point-to-point services between large numbers of cities in the Pacific region as they have over the Atlantic, critics say the planes would be too big.

Airbus on Wednesday released the most detailed plans yet for a double-decker long-range jet that could carry up to 850 people. The four-engine airplanes would cost about \$200 million apiece.

said Jean-Jacques Huber, the project manager. By releasing proposed configurations for the

jets, Airbus was attempting to move a step ahead, at least on the public-perception front; of Boeing, which is not yet convinced the airlines will be interested in such an airplane.

Boeing is nonetheless discussing possible cooperation on such a project with the individual companies from France, Germany, Britain and Spain that make up the Airbus consortium. Supersonic jets could provide another form of

competition in the next century. Boeing and Mc-Donnell Douglas Corp. are looking into technology for a big supersonic jet that could fly round trip between Los Angeles and Tokyo twice a day.

At the Farnborough International '94 air show, Jean-Jacques Huber, the Airbus project manager for the ultrajumbo jets, said the craft could take off and land on airport runways now used by big airplanes, and use existing engines.

The size of the airplane could give airlines freedom to build rooms on the bottom cargo deck that could be used as fitness centers, business areas or lounges. (AP, Bloomberg)

Hungry for Growth, Nestlé Is Expected To Stalk New Prey

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ny that controls L'Oreal,

while Liliane Bettencourt,

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founder, owns the remaining

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ZURICH — Nestlé SA. the world's largest food and beverage company, has an insatiable appetite.

Last month, it increased its interest in the San Pellegrino SpA mineral water concern in Italy. This month, it made clear it had its eyes on a northern German ice-cream maker, Warneke. Next month who knows?

The Swiss-based multinational has ambitious targets, its chairman, the Germanborn Helmut Maucher, 66, wants to raise annual sales by more than 70 percent, to 100 billion Swiss francs (\$75 billion), by the end of the

decade. Much of the growth in the last 10 years has come from multibillion-dollar takeovers of brands such as Carnation milk in America, Buitoni pasta of Italy, the British Rowntree chocolate concern, and Perrier mineral water in France.

But the 128-year-old company, based in the western Swiss town of Vevey, plays down speculation that it plans more mega-acquisitions. It says it has filled most of the gaps in its product line.

"Now we can be calmer and concentrate more on internal growth than on acquisitions, although we'll keep our eyes open," Mr. Maucher said in a recent interview with the German

magazine Wirtschaftswoche. The company is trying to keep ahead of its two main rivals, the Anglo-Dutch Unilever Group and the U.S.based Philip Morris Cos., which owns Krast-General Foods. All three companies are trying to eat into each other's markets in products ranging from instant coffee and breakfast cereals to chocolate bars and pet food. Each sees rapid growth and the development of new products as the keys to suc-

Nestlé's move on San Pellegrino, raising its stake in

Recovery In France Quickens in 2d Quarter

PARIS — France's recovery gathered pace in the second quarter of this year, with the economy growing by 1 percent as business investment and consumer spending showed signs of life, government data showed Wednesday.

The national statistics office said second-quarter growth followed a rise of 0.7 percent in the first three months of the year.

The return to year-on-year growth of 2 percent follows an economic contraction last year of I percent, which tipped France into its deepest recession since World War II.

The figures will be comforting for the conservative government, which is hoping that growth will bring unemployment off its near-record of 12.6 Very briefly: percent between now and next May's presidential election.

Private economists, however, said the figures could be bad news for the bond market. Investors have already been dumping European bonds recently in the belief that with economic growth returning there is little likelihood that central banks would reduce inierest rates.

German economic figures, due to be released on Thursday, are expected to show secondquarter growth of 0.9 percent in gross domestic product, confirming the picture of robust recovery in Europe.

The French statistics showed that exports, which have been growing since the second quarter of 1993, rose by 2.6 percent, Imports, underpinned by demand for manufactured goods from abroad, grew by 2.8 percent.

Many French companies. anticipating renewed consumer spending, rebuilt their stocks in the second quarter. Investment and consumer spending showed first signs of life since the third quarter of 1993.

There was a 1 percent rise in consumer spending after two stagnant quarters. Investment was up 1 percent, reversing the decline of the previous six months, with business investment up 0.9 percent.

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• Christian Dior SA said it was launching the capital increase it postponed in July because of market conditions; the offering of stock and warrants would raise as much as 4.2 billion French francs (\$793 million) for the French perfume and fashion house. • The European Commission cleared the acquisition by a News Corp. unit, News International PLC, of a 49.9 percent stake in the German television channel Vox.

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• Halifax Building Society, Britain's biggest mortgage lender, said the country's housing market was weak despite economic recovery and warned the government against raising interest rates as it reported pretax profit of £486 million (\$753 million) for the six months ended July 31, up from £411 million a year earlier.

• Hilton International, a unit of Ladbroke Group PLC, plans to build a 187-room luxury hotel in the center of Belfast; executives said the project was under discussion before the Irish Republican Army said it sought to end violence in Northern Ireland.

Bloomberg, Reuters, AFP

Tatra's U.S. Managers Resign

Bloomberg Business News PRAGUE — The U.S.-style management experiment at Tatra Koprivnice AS dissolved Wednesday as the three would-

be American rescuers resigned. The truckmaker, which is struggling with a large debt, said its chairman Gerald Greenwald, hired in July to run United Airlines parent, UAL Corp., and his two partners, Jack Rutherford and David Shelby, had resigned effective immediately.

The management team, which arrived at Tatra in March 1993.

cut short a two-year contract that included promises for a minority stake in the company.

Tatra said the three primager had agreed to leave because Mis-Greenwald's recent decision to accept the UAL chairmanship suggested "it's a suitable time to finish the participation" of the management team at Tatra.

The trio, under criticism for the company's poor performance, had been demanding promised stock and warrants in Tatra as a condition for staying.

EXPANSION: Incentive Plan Didn't Export Well

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ees abroad. The problems were that in Brazil, for example, employees can regard any bonus that is paid for two consecutive years as a part of their base salaries. In Europe, meanwhile, workers considered vacation time more valuable than bonuses, and unions at the acquired companies wanted nothing to do with a system that sought to make the first six months. It called on workers feel more like indepen- workers to give up their August dent entrepreneurs.

In France, the system began to take root but fell apart after rapid expansion left the subsid- counting on big bonuses. But employees.

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iary with no profit to distribute for many, working more has

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added to the discontent, despite the \$100 million in bonuses Mr. Hastings said the system paid the last two years when the company was in the red.

> "The employee attitude has been, 'We didn't create the problem, so why should we pay for it?" " said Richard Sabo, assistant to the chief executive.

Whether that thinking can need to deal with customers and competitors globally remains in doubt. The current system has the backing of the Lincoln family's heirs, who collectively own about 51 percent of the stock. The overtime may help those At least 30 percent is held by

INDIA: Calcutta Scrambles for Investment in a Bid to Reclaim Its Industrial Dominance Continued from Page 9

have led all others in the foreign investment stakes.

Most Indian state governments have serious budget problems of their own and must find ways to pay for services infrastructure cannot provide, while also increasing revenue to reduce debts to New Delhi.

"It's going to be a problem Regional disparities will increase, and that can lead to possible social unrest," Mr. Ambani said of a trend toward development in a relative handful of states. "Unless they tighten up their performance and become industry-friendly, these

other states will be left behind." 10" city in the eastern part of but there will be more tears for the project work and has ear-Mr. Ambani's comments echoed growing concern that

India's economic revival will exacerbate differences between its classes and its regions along an east-west divide.

According to the local magazine BusinessWorld, nine of India's 10 largest cities, 90 percent of all routes flown by private domestic airlines, all but one of several "fast track" power projects and 90 percent of all joint ventures involving foreign investment lie west of an imaginary north-south drawn line

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toward industry by the govern- Great Eastern are continuing ment and unions and a change after labor leaders took to the of view by industrialists comes. streets in protest. we cannot go forward at all." said S.N. Menon, principal secretary to West Bengal's chief minister, Jyoti Basu, India's leading Marxist politician.

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While Mr. Ganguly and Accor refused to comment on talks that have set off a power struggle within groups of the ruling Left-Front coalition, the West ment of Great Eastern workers

"Without a shade of doubt, the attitude of the unions and the politicians has turned around," said P.K. Dutt. vice president of the West Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industries and managing director of Bata India Ltd. "Labor disputes for little reason are now a

thing of the past" Few industrialists say all their problems have been solved, and serious difficulties "There may be some tears if Bengal government remains remain in unprofitable state-

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Toyota to Sell GM Cars via Top Dealer Network

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO — Toyota Motor

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Corp. said Wednesday said it had chosen the largest of its five domestic dealer networks to sell cars made by General Motors Corp. for the Japanese market.

The move is likely to give an extra boost to U.S. automakers' efforts to expand sales in Japan. It also comes just as Japanese-U.S. talks on autos and other trade issues are gathering speed ahead of a U.S.-imposed deadline of Sept. 30 for an agreement. A Toyota executive said Wednesday that the cars would go on sale in January or Febru-

buy 20,000 Chevrolet Cavaliers force of 35,000.

Japan Telecom **Burdens Market**

Bloomberg Business News TOKYO — Stocks closed at their lowest level in four months Wednesday as disappointment over the debut of a closely watched Japan Telecom Co. spread to other shares.

The Nikkei average fell 370.18 points, or 1.8 percent, to Japan Telecom shares fell 50,000 yen, to 4.65 million on Tuesday, their first day of trad-

ing. On Wednesday they fell 220,000 yen, to 4.43 million yen. The current price for Japan Telecom is 19 percent below the weighted average of 5.44 million yen garnered at the public auction of the shares in mid-August.

MANILA — Half a million Filipinos,

many of them entering the stock market

for the first time, more than doubled

their investment instantly on Wednes-

day when Petron Corp. shares made

Stock in the country's largest oil refin-

er and distributor opened and closed at

21.25 pesos (81 cents), although they hit

an intra-day high of 22.75 pesos The

public offer price was 9 pesos. Brokers

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Air New Zealand Disappoints

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches

WELLINGTON — Air New Zealand Ltd. said Wednesday that rising tourism and an increase in international air traffic

helped it post a 37 percent increase in net profit for the first half of 1994, but the results fell a little short of expectations.

The company said profit rose to 190.6 million New Zealand dollars (\$115 million), or 43.3 New Zealand cents a share, from

140 million dollars, or 32.7 cents a share, a year earlier. Many

analysts were expecting earnings of 200 million dollars, and some had recently raised their forecasts above that level.

James McCrea, chief executive, said that while the carrier

would remain profitable, it would be "irresponsible" to expect

sprofit to rise as much in the current year as in the one just ended.

The net result included a tax payment of 7.5 million dollars that ame as a surprise to analysts. The company had no tax liability a

Bruce McKay, an analyst at Cavill White Securities, said the

airline would probably pay tax at a rate of between 8 percent and 12 percent in the year ending June 30, 1995.

"It's a bit of a guessing game." he said. "It's all tied up with the timing and delivery of new aircrast and also with the method of

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annually, starting in 1996, for resale in Japan under its own brand name. The right-handdrive cars are being made by GM specifically for the Japanese market.

Their introduction would make the Cavalier the first model made by one of the Big Three American automakers to be sold in Japan by Toyota, the largest Japanese automaker.

Toyota calls its five domestic dealer networks by the names of Toyota, Toyopet, Corolla, Auto and Vista. The Toyota channel that the company has chosen for the Chevrolet cars is the largest, with more than Toyota agreed last year to 1,000 sales outlets and a sales

> U.S. automakers have long complained that unofficial arrangements between manufacturers and dealers have kept foreign cars out of Japanese dealerships. Those arrangements have been eroding in recent years, however, allowing foreign carmakers some access to Japanese dealers.

■ Opel Is Picked for Asia General Motors expects the Asia-Pacific region to be its fastest-growing market and plans to base its sales and production strategy there on its Opel range of vehicles, Bloomberg Business News reported from Bangkok.

"Opel has been chosen to be the GM brand for vehicles designed, built and sold outside of North America," said Louis R. Hughes, president of GM Europe and executive vice president of international operations.

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(AP, Reuters)

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which does not include Petron, fell 46

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End of a Street Fighter? Video Game Takes a Beating in Market

By Andrew Pollack New York Times Service

TOKYO - Street Fighter took a beating — but on the stock market.

That could indicate a trend. Maybe one of the most successful video game fads has run its course.

Capcom Co., based in Osaka, Japan. spawned a new genre of entertainment and rose to more than \$800 million in sales on the strength of the Street Fighter II series of games for arcades and home video. But sales of the latest version of the game,

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introduced in June, are short of expectations, a result of a slowing of the video-game business and the growth of rival games, particularly Acclaim Entertainment's more violent Mortal Kombat (in which the victor can rip out the heart or tear off the head of the vanquished.)

Capcom execuives said the company's American subsidiary has fallen into unprofitability, caught with 1.65 million unsold games of various titles as of the end of March. On Friday, the company slashed its estimates of sales and earnings for the current fiscal year.

The company's stock, which was selling for about 9,000 yen (\$90) at the beginning of the year, plunged to around 4.500 yen by April. Capcom, traded on the second section of the Osaka Stock Exchange, has lost more than a quarter of its value since Aug. 1. and now trades at about 2,560 yen.

"Capcom needs something new," said Mitsuko Morita, an analyst with Morgan Stanley & Co. in Tokyo. "The Street Fighter II boom was too huge for the company."

It will be difficult to come up with another blockbuster like Street Fighter II, which accounted for 57 percent of revenue in the last financial year.

Nobuhiko Toyoshima of Smith New Court Securities, however, said the recent fall of the stock provided a buying opportunity.

The video-game industry is entering a period of extensive change with the introduction of more powerful machines and the entry of new suppliers. That could provide opportunities for software companies like Capcom. Capcom was founded as an arcade game

company in 1979 by its president, Kenzo

phone and other blue chips.

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Tsujimoto, who had been in the arcade-machine-rental business. With its young software developers dressed in jeans, it has been considered a rare example in Japan of a Silicon Valley-style creative company.

In Street Fighter II, a player controls a video character who fights against another character controlled by a second player or by the machine.

There had been fighting games before Street Fighter II, including the first Street Fighter. But Street Fighter II. introduced in arcades in 1991 and for the Super Nintendo home game machine in 1992, ignited a boom because it offered a certain sophistication in movement and allowed players to choose from among a dozen video characters, each with a distinct personality and fighting style. Capcom sold 6.5 million copies in its 1993

financial year and an additional 5.4 million for Nintendo Co. and Sega Enterprises Ltd. machines combined in the period, which ended in March. Sales in the last financial year rose to 86.9 billion yen, more than double the level two years earlier. But net income fell by nearly half, to 3.5 billion ven.

The company had been projecting gains. but now expects sales to fall to 63.3 billion yen. One reason is that sales of the new Super Street Fighter II. introduced in June. are running behind.

One of Capcom's problems is that video games are slowing. The current generation of 16-bit machines is aging and consumers are awaiting 32-bit or 64-bit machines to be introduced by Nintendo and Sega as well as Sony Corp., a newcomer to the field. These machines, plus perhaps a new model by 3DO Co., will reach the market between this fall and next fall and should spur software sales.

Capcom has the resources to develop programs for all the game machines. Moreover, the software business could become even more profitable with the next generation.

Software will mainly be sold on compact disks, which are inexpensive to make. With several game machines on the market, software companies will be able to pay lower royalties to hardware manufacturers than they did when Nintendo had a virtual monopoly. "The balance of power is going to shift from hardware manufacturers to software manufacturers," said Joseph Osha of Baring Securities.

though the government will likely record

The Philippine Chamber of Commerce

and Industry said this underestimation of

growth was due to the country's large

underground economy of unregistered

businesses as well as to understatement of

GNP growth officially registered in the

first half of this year would really be as

much as 7 percent with this unreported

The chamber said the 5.07 percent

earnings by many companies.

drop in Philippine Long Distance Tele- percent in 1994 after inflation even

"Petron opened strong because retail- only 5.5 percent to 5.75 percent, Agence

ers are holding onto their shares," said France-Presse reported Wednesday

Gregorio Kilayko, president of Baring from Manila.

Philippines will grow by 7 percent to 7.5 economic activity.

Securities Philippines. "This means the

man on the street is learning to be an

Petron is owned 40 percent each by

Saudi Arabia Oil and the state's Philip-

pine National Oil. The remaining 20

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China's Li Calls Prices Top Worry

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BEIJING — China must control skyrocketing prices, or runaway inflation could jeopardize its market reforms. Prime Minister Li Peng said in a speech published Wednesday.

"Many years of experience have shown us that controlling inflation and maintaining price stability is a vital link to the success of implementing reform measures," Mr. Li said.

His comments were printed on the front pages of all major newspapers, a sign of the importance the government places on controlling inflation.

Mr. Li's speech, delivered Tuesday to economic and provincial officials, was the second official warning this week about inflation, which the prime minister called China's most pressing domestic problem.

On Monday, China Information, an official newspaper, said that if food-price inflation did not slow considerably. "it will be hard for people to live."

Public anger over price increases and corruption has aroused concern that the government might decide to curtail its market reforms, which have brought unprecedented prosperity to many Chinese but also created wide disparities in wealth and income.

Figures released in July showed that consumer prices had risen 24 percent from a year earlier.

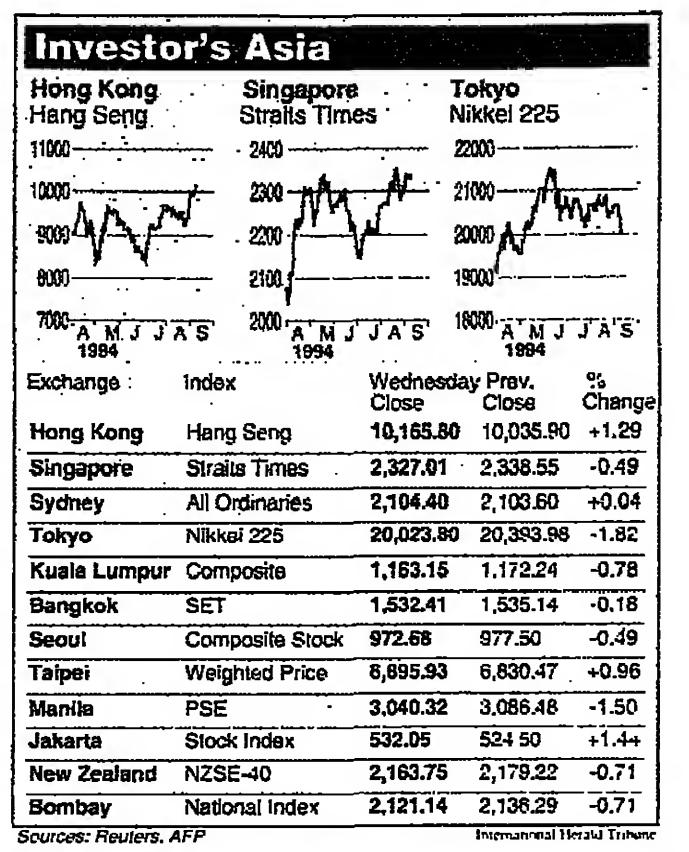
In 1989, inflation of more than 30 percent helped fuel the Tiananmen Square pro-democracy demonstrations that drew as many as I million people into the streets of Beijing and set off similar protests in about 80 other (AP, AFP) cities.

Silence Golden In China Press

BEIJING - Chinese journalists who heard that China produced 90 metric tons of gold in 1993 — a commercial secret — were ordered not to report it.

Song Ruixiang, minister of mineral resources, revealed the figure at a news conference on Monday.

Reporters were told not to mention itbut the semiolficial China News Service reported the number.



Very briefly:

• The Hongkong Standard, an English-language daily, on Wednesday is to become the first foreign-language newspaper to be printed in China.

• Toyama Chemical Co. and Mitsui Pharmaceuticals Inc. abandoned two years of merger talks Wednesday, blaming a deterioration in the local pharmaceutical industry climate.

• Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. plans to set up nine regional subsidiaries in October for a "personal handy phone system" that will begin service for semimobile phones in April. • Woolworths Ltd., the largest food retailer in Australia, earned a net 200.1 million Australian dollars (\$148 million) in the year to June 26, up 17 percent from the previous year, helped by a 12 percent jump in sales and growing market share.

• Acer Inc. said sales rose 47 percent in August from August 1993. to 2.77 billion Taiwan dollars (\$1 million), while sales for the first eight months of the year were up 73 percent.

• Goodman Fielder Wattie Ltd. has agreed to change its board in a compromise with dissident shareholders seeking to shake up the ailing company. • Indonesia plans to curb inflation, which rose 0.87 percent in

August, by holding down food prices.

• Maruti Udyog Ltd., the largest automaker in India, plans to build a third factory to meet the growing demand for its cars.

• STAR TV has signed a five-year deal with Media Asia Distribution Ltd. to distribute its collection of Chinese films.

• China on Wednesday signed a series of deals with French companies worth a total of 2.53 billion francs (\$478 million), of which about 765 million francs were for film contracts. AFP, Bloomberg, Renters, AP







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Thailand Increases Bank Rate

year earlier.

Compiled by Our Stoff From Disposches BANGKOK - The Bank of Thailand raised its bank rate by half a percentage point Wednesday, to 9.5 percent, to stem inflationary pressures by sending a signal to commercial

Supot Kittisuwan, of the Bank of Thailand's banking department, said "It is a signal to commercial banks to exercise caution in lending, given the continuing strong growth of the economy and the accompanying inflationary pressures."

The Bank of Thailand has revised its inflation estimate for calendar 1994 to 4.8 percent from 4.2 percent, versus an actual 3.3 percent in 1993.

"It's actually good news because it sends a signal that the central bank won't object if lending rates go up," said Ke-sara Manchusree, of Standard-Chartered Securities. "The centrai bank wants to control inflation, and higher rates will help curb demand."

in practice, commercial banks only apply to borrow funds from the central bank after exhausting the possibilities of the short-term money and

bond markets. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of Fidelity World Fund, a société d'investissement à capital variable organised under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (the "Fund"), will be held at the registered office of the Fund, Kansallis House. Place de l'Etoile, Luxembourg, at 11:00 a.m. on September 27, 1994, specifically, but without limitation, for the following purposes:

Presentation of the Report of the Board of Directors. 2. Presentation of the Report of the Auditor.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

3. Approval of the balance sheet and income statement for the fiscal year ended May 31st.

Discharge of the Board of Directors and the Auditor.

Election of six (6) Directors, specifically the re-election of Messrs, Edward C. Johnson 3rd. Barry R. J. Bateman, Charles T. M. Collis, Charles T.M. Collis, Sir Charles A. Fraser, Jean Hamilius and H.F. van den Hoven, being all of the present Directors.

6. Election of the Auditor, specifically the election of Coopers & Lybrand, Luxembourg. Declaration of a cash dividend in respect of the fiscal year ended May 31, 1994, and authorisation of the Board of Directors to declare further dividends in respect of fiscal year 1994 if necessary to enable the Fund to qualify for 'distributor' status under United Kingdom tax law.

8. Consideration of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Approval of items I through 8 of the agenda will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented at the meeting with a minimum number of shares present or represented in order for a quorum to be present.

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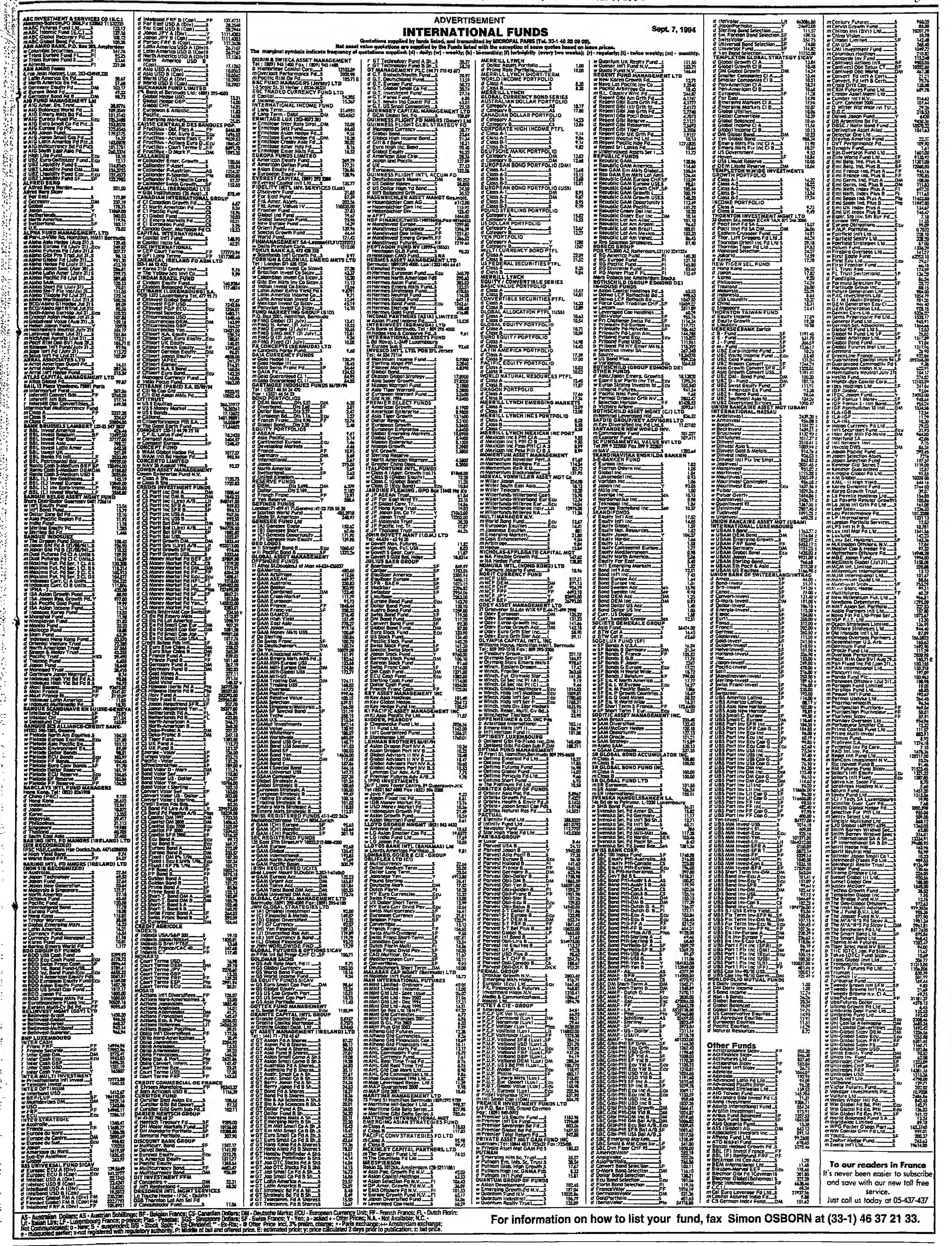
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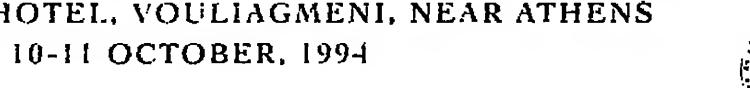


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SPORTS

Macedonia Ties Mighty Danes

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches Macedonia, playing its first the eighth. match in a major international soccer competition, stunned defending champion Denmark with an early goal Wednesday and held on for a 1-1 draw in qualifying for the 1996 Europe-

an Championship. Only a desperation goal from and the lights partially failed in the second, but the teams com-Flemming Povlsen with three minutes to play kept the team from the former Yugoslav republic from pulling one of the biggest upsets in Euro qualifying history.

"We never managed to get enough chances to score," said the Danish coach, Richard fast, sure and very aggressive. And I want to compliment them."

Denmark, which has a history of struggling against weaker teams, opened the defense of its title with lackluster play and errant passes — even after Macedonia was reduced to 10 men when Inter Milan striker Darko Pancev was sent off with a red card for elbowing in the 46th minute.

"We played well, even though we are an inexperienced team," Macedonian coach Andon Doncerski said. "I wonder what would have happened if Pancey wasn't sent off."

Defender Mitko Stojkovski, who plays for Red Star Belgrade, put the home team ahead in the fourth minute and Bosko

Djurovski nearly made it 2-0 in In other matches played Wednesday:

Group 1 France 0, Slovakia 0: A floodlight failure during the first half in Bratislava blacked out the game for 20 minutes, pleted the match, playing to a goalless draw.

Romania 3, Azerbaijan 0: In Bucharest, Miodrag Belodedici scored in the 43d minute, Dan Petrescu in the 58th and Florin Raducioiu in the 87th against newcomer Azerbaijan. Group 2

Belgium 2, Armenia 0: Belgium started its qualifying campaign well at home with a early goal from striker Luis Oliveira. But after the initial burst the Belgians lost their way in the face of gritty resistance from Armenia, which was making its debut in major international competition. Marc Degryse scored the second goal in the 73d minute.

Spain 2, Cypros 1: In Limassol, Francicso Higuera got Spain off to a good start with goals in the 18th and 26th minutes before Andros Sotirou got the home team on the board in the 37th minute.

Group 3 Hungary 2, Turkey 2: Jozsef Kiprich scored in the 5th minute and Gabor Halmai in the 45th for Hungary, playing in



Anton Polster, right, battling defender Patrick Hefti, scored three times during Austria's 4-0 victory in Liechtenstein.

Budapest, Turkey evened it up with goals by Sukur Hakan in the 66th and Korkmaz Bulent in the 71st.

Group 4 Italy 1. Slovenia 1: The defeated World Cup finalists. playing without the injured Roberto Baggio, were fortunate to escape with a 1-1 draw against an inspired Slovenia, playing its first competitive international in Maribor. Striker Saso Udovic had given Slovenia a 13th minute lead but Alessandro Costacurta tied the score two minutes later.

Lithnania 2, Ukraine 0: The prize of a luxury car, offered by local sponsor to the first Ukrainian scorer, failed to help

the home team at Kiev. Imantis Shtumbris, in the 54th minute. and Aureltius Shkarbelius, in the 61st accounted for the

Group 5 Netherlands 4, Luxembourg 0: The visiting Dutch team took a 1-0 lead at halftime and went on to score three more goals in the second half to top Luxembourg, Ronald de Boer scored two goals and Bryan Roy and Wim Jonk had one each.

Norway 1, Belarus 0: In Oslo. Geir Frigaard scored in the 88th minute as the Norwegians edged Belarus. Frigaard, a 70th minute replacement, headed home a pass from Kjetil RekGroup 6 qualifying debut

Portugal 2, Northern Ireland 1: In Belfast, João Costa led off the scoring with a goal in the 8th minute. Jimmy Quinn tied the game in the 58th minute on a penalty shot, then Domingos Oliveira put Portugal ahead in the 81st minute.

Ireland 3, Latvia 0: In Riga, John Aldridge scored in the 16th minute, then again in the 75th on a penalty after John Sheridan got a goal for Ireland in the 29th minute.

Austria 4, Liechtenstein 0: At Eschen, Liechtenstein, Anton Polster got a hat trick and Franz Aigner added another goal as Liechtenstein fell to 0-2

in its European Championship

Group 7 Wales 2, Albania 0: In Cardiff, Chris Coleman and Ryan Giggs scored for the winners. Moldova 1, Georgia 0: Igor Oprya scored the only goal in the 40th minute in front of 40,000 at Tbilisi's National Sta-

Group 8 Greece 5. Faeroe Islands 1: Visiting Greece got off to a flying start, winning by four goals in Toftir.

Scotland 2, Finland 0: In Helsinki. Duncan Shearer and John Collins scored in each half.

(AP, Reuters)

English Avenge Defeat by U.S. By Ian Thomsen The state of the state o

WEMBLEY, England — Much has changed since the United States last met and beat England. The Americans made their names in the World Cup, reaching the Final 16, while the English sat home watching. It has to be said, however, that the interim 15 months has most helped — England.

The mother country of soccer beat back its aggrandizing colonists by 2-0 Wednesday night. It took Alan Shearer all of 40 minutes to reverse score of the 2-0 victory in that 1993 Boston friendly match.

Having lived up to the demands placed on them as host of the World Cup, the Americans were rewarded with an invitation to play here for the first time, in the cradle of the game. It was their first international match as well since the July 4 stalling of Brazil at San Francisco, but within a half-hour the celebrating had been overtaken by the panic of having to make payments in this utterly new and glamorous neighborhood.

As fate would have it, Shearer's victim was the red-goateed American who cashed in most from last summer. How Alexi Lalas reacts to his hard introduction to the real world will tell a lot about the immediate future for soccer in his country.

In becoming the first from the United States to reach the

BUFFALO-Agreed to terms with Put Lo-

DETROIT-Signed Yan Galubovsky, de-

EDMONTON-Signed Bill Ranford gool-

lender, to 1-year contract. Agreed to terms

with Luke Richardson, defensemen, on 2-year

LOS ANGELES-Signed Rob Bloke, de-

N.Y. RANGERS-Signed Mark Osborne,

PHILADELPHIA—Traded the rights to Al-

exander Sellyanov, right wing, to Tampo Bay

COLLEGE

AUBURN-Named Kim Davis women's

DENVER-Named Greg Drachsel and

GEORGIA—Announced Sterling Boyd. tall-

back, has decided to leave the team and trans-

MIAMI-Annuunced that Chris Walsh

sophomore quarterback, has withdrawn from

NOTRE DAME—Nomed Brian O'Connor

NAVY-Fired Greg Briner quarterbacks

PEPPERDINE—Named David Rhoodes

assistant baseball coach; Carl Strong men's

issistant basketball coach; Richard Gallien

SAN DI EGO-Announced the resignation of

Hank Egan, men's basketball coach. Named

Randy Bennett acting men's basketball

SAN DIEGO STATE—Fred Miller, athletic

director, will refire effective December 31.

men's assistant basketball coach.

men's and women's track program.

Gentry Jr. athletic director.

SE MISSOURI-Named Scott McCowan

SOUTHERN CAL-Jim Bush, men's trock

work, resigned. Named Ron Allice director of

TENNESSEE STATE-Named Howard

TEXAS—Suspended Lovell Pinkney and

Mike Adams, wide receivers, I game for vio-

kitting NCAA's amaleurism rule.
TEXAS SOUTHERN—Bill Thomas, foot-

boll coach, has been named athletic director.

ball center, and Brian Hocevar, forward, will

not enroll for the upcoming semester.

UNLV-Announced Dennis Jordon, basket-

assistant tennis coach; and Tim Word warn-

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Sampdoria (and David Platt, the English captain); by halftime here, the happy star of last, summer was facing a roastingfrom the British press - when, really, everything that has become of both teams is a function of that upset 15 months ago. The England of 1993 never a could have focused so much; trouble on Lalas.

For England to reform as the attacking, inventive team orchestrated Wednesday by Terry Venables - now undefeated and unscored on in four games; as manager - it seems that the failure to qualify and the American loss had to happen first

With a new appreciation for the experience that separates these two nations, the English built patiently, assuredly, with the opening minutes belonging to John Barnes.

His personal booing had been a sad anthem of manager? Graham Taylor's tenure; now 30 and in a new position just. behind the front line, he won cheers with signature inventions like his chip over the top teasingly just beyond Platt.

Whereas the English used to fret over every wasted chance. they learn from it now: Shearer just wide from inside the box, his striking partner, Teddy Sheringham, whacking a shot off of goalkeeper Brad Friedel, and the on-charging Platt picking Thomas Dooley's pocket to set up Sheringham's shot deflected just wide.

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With the English drum beating louder and faster with each run, the Americans were missing their midfielder John Harkes, out with a torn calf.

Not only does he know these. opponents from the English League, but his absolute refusal to lapse into a defensive mindset could have helped the Americans counterattack. As it was a they were almost as passive here as in their previous loss to Brazil, and it's no coincidence that

Harkes missed that game, too. Ominously, then, Shearer nudged wide to Sheringham for a shot saved by Friedel, who, by the way, appeared to disprove the English players' union, which has deep-sixed his working papers with Newcastle for fear that he isn't up to a high

enough standard, Moments later, in the 33d minute, Shearer returned down the right side into the box, where Lalas backed off just a step. Shearer attacked the space and jammed his fourth international goal inside the near post, through a slot hardly bigger

than the ball itself.

Seven minutes later, he came back for a cross from Graeme Le Saux. Lalas backed off, unable to anticipate Shearer's diving header, and England's best played it 90 degrees inside the near post, with no hope for Friedel. As far as England was concerned, back to normal.

FIA Clears Benetton, But Not Schumacher

PARIS - Benetton, the leading Formula One motor racing team, escaped punishment Wednesday for tampering with refueling equipment but did not get the disqualification of driver Michael Schumacher overturned.

The International Automobile Federation ruled that Benetton had made an "honest mistake" in removing a filter from its pit crew's refueling device at July's German Grand Prix, where a flash fire engulfed the car of Jos Verstappen.

"We had no evidence to suggest they had deliberately done something to earn an advantage," said FIA's president, Max Mosley.

Benetton said the refueling pump manufacturer, Intertechnique, had given instructions to another team on how to remove the filter and it was considered part of the process.

But FIA's world council rejected Benetton's appeal concerning the disqualification of Schumacher's car at the Belgian Grand Prix last month.

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Schumacher won the race. but afterward it was found that the skid-block under his car a speed-reduction device introduced midway through the season—did not meet FIA specifi-

Last week Schumacher lost an appeal for ignoring a black flag at the British Grand Prix and is suspended two races.

He leads the standings by 21 points over Britain's Damon Hill. But Hill can close the gap to one point if he wins the two races — this Sunday's Italian Grand Prix and the U.S. Open Portuguese Grand Prix on Sept. 25 — that Schumacher will miss.

In another decision Wednesday, McLaren was fined \$100,000 for not providing the access codes to its computer software but was not penalized for a gear-box infraction.

FIA said there are many interpretations of the new rules and McLaren's explanation showed it was not trying to de-(AP, Reuters)

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Wayne Ferreira, South Africa, and Mork Knowles, Bohamas (16), def. Tom Nilssen. Netherlands, and Cyrll Suk, Caech Republic (8), 6-3, 6-4; Todd Woodbridge and Mark Woodforde, Australia (4), def. Martin Damm and Karel Navacek, Czech Republic (12), 6-3, 7-6 (7-5); Jacob Eltingh and Paul Hoarhuis. Netherlands (3), def. David Adoms. Austrolia. and Andrei Othovskiy, Russia (5),7-6 (7-7),5-7.

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Quarterfinals Arantxa Sanchez Vicaria (2), Spain, def. Kimika Date (5), Japan, 6-3, 6-0; Gabriela Sobatini (8), Argentina, det. Gigl Fernandez,

U.S., 6-2, 7-5. Katerina Maleeya, Bulgaria, and Rabin White, U.S., def. Nicole Brootke, Australia and Eina Reinach, South Africa, 6-3, 6-1; Larisa Nelland, Latvia, and Gabriela Sabalini, Argentina (10), def. Patty Fendick, U.S., and Meredith McGrath, Midland, Mich. (3), 1-6. 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

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ROME—China's women set a another world record and collected three more gold medals Wednesday at the World Swimming Championships to take their tally to six titles in the

The quartet of Le Jingyi, Shan Ying, Le Ying and Lu Bin swam collid ditte the 400-meter freestyle relay in 3 minutes, 37.91 seconds to slice theming on 1.55 off the 2-year-old mark set training of the United State by the United State celona Olympics. by the United States at the Barallarkate or the land of the constant of the c

China's He Cihong won the And the state of t fourth diving gold of the field specture of the field the experience that the left well behind in the women's 3meter springboard.

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testables have a mond play Janet Evans, one of the greatest Where the least time, placed fifth in the 400 final tel ence areas movies of they is not from a row of and Krisztina Egerszegi, Hungary's triple Olympic gold medalist in Barcelona, also placed fifth in the africing price h the 100 backstroke.

> At least Spain's Martin Lopez-Zubero collected a silver in his event behind Selkov.

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title to the second Evans, Olympics titlist in 1988 and silver medalist four years later, came into her race as the defending titlist and world record holder. Theorem . The appropries

i One of the slowest qualifiers At the final, Yang led almost from the first stroke from lane

A world record did come in the final race of the night, how-

Le Jingyi and Franzi Van Almsick, newly crowned world record holders at 100 and 200 meters, faced off in the first leg but failed to beat Le's mark of 54.01, set on Monday.

Shan Ying swam 54.38 and Le Ying clocked 55.09 as the Chinese increased their lead to almost three seconds over the Americans by the time Lu Bin, double silver medalist in the 100 and 200 finals, took over.

Lu swam 54.13 to enable to Chinese to take such a huge amount off the previous mark. The American team of Angel Martino, Amy Van Dyken, Nicole Haislett and Olympic

back in 3:41.50. Germany's team, Van Almsick, Katrin Meissner, Kertsin Kielgass and Daniela Hunger, was third in 3:42.94.

finished second but a long way

Tan added the gold to the silver she took in the 1-meter springboard competition won by countrywoman Chen Lixia.

The Chinese have been nothing but dominant in the diving and their haul after five events now totals eight medals — four gold, three silver and one bronze.

Zimbabwe's Evan Stewart, in the men's 1-meter springboard, is the only other gold-winner with the men's 10-meter highboard still to come Thursday.



Tim Clars. Agence France Presse Jana Novotna, aided by 37 unforced errors, beat No. 4 Mary Pierce, 6-4, 6-0, in the Open.

Graf and Novotna Gain Women's Semifinals

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Seventhseeded Jana Novotna defeated No. 4 Mary Pierce, 6-4, 6-0, Wednesday to join top-seeded Steffi Graf in the women's semifinals of the U.S. Open.

Pierce, who upset Graf to reach the final of the French Open earlier this year, couldn't control her own power game, repeatedly hitting long.

"I'm very disappointed because I was looking forward to playing Steffi again," said Pierce, who has lost to Novotna both times they have met. Graf was a 6-0, 6-2 winner over Amanda Coetzer in the

day's first match. Neither Novotna nor Pierce took command in their first set. which saw five service breaks. "She was hitting quite well in the beginning of the match."

Novotna said, "but it didn' work so she changed her game. For Pierce, it was a change for the worst. Novotna, growing ever more confident, ripped

through the final six games. to side and from the baseline to the net, and I think it was my the net, waiting until her oppo- best match probably this year. nent made a mistake. And said Stich, who faces a less Pierce did, committing 37 un- daunting quarterfinal opponent forced errors. 15 more than No- in unseeded Jonas Bjorkman.

straight and fourth overall title on.

at the National Tennis Center. took only 55 minutes to eliminate Coetzer, the 11th-seeded South African.

"Time is something I don't really care too much about," said Graf, who hasn't been kept

es, No. 9 Todd Martin took on Bernd Karbacher, while crowdfavorite Andre Agassi met No. 13 Thomas Muster. The upset of Pete Sampras, career,

the defending champion and top-seeded player, by 23dranked Jaime Yzaga of Peru on Tuesday night, rendered this the first U.S. Open, since seeding began in 1927, to lose all three of its top seeded men prior to the quarterfinals.

Fourth-seeded Michael Stich, facing Yevgeni Kafelnikov. the 20-year-old Russian whose rise through the ranks has been swift and fearless, dealt the Russian a 7-6 (10-8). 6-3. 6-2 dressing-down.

"I was moving great at the She moved Pierce from side baseline. I was moving great at

Sampras's physical condition Graf, seeking her second deteriorated as his match wore

"I really saw that he was getting tired, more tired every time, and I congratulate him because he never really gave up. and obviously he wasn't feeling well, but that's what makes a champion. He kept fighting unon court more than 55 minutes til the end," observed Yzaga. who saved his admiration of In men's quarterfinal match- Sampras' mettle until the upset was complete.

His 3-6, 6-3, 4-6, 7-6 (7-4), 7-5 victory sent him into the second Grand Slam quarterfinal of his

Already bothered by a calcium deposit related to a summer-long bout with tendinitis in his left ankle, Sampras developed blisters on his right foot during the 3-hour-38-minute match, his back stiffened, and toward the match's conclusion he was moving like a man mired in quicksand.

His racquet appeared more useful as the crutch that propped him up between points than as the weapon he used under routine circumstances to win 35 of his last 36 Grand Slam matches along with four of the last five Grand Slams.

"I just hit the wall; I didn't have anything left, and on the last four or five games I was just going on adrenaline from the crowd," said Sampras, who doesn't often excite or need the crowd's sympathies.

According to the tournament physicians who huddled with him after the loss, Sampras, who had been taking anti-inflammatories for his foot trouble, was suffering from a generic case of overwhelming muscle

From powerhouse to powerless, the world's No. I player was transformed into a pawn for Yzaga's diligent groundstrokes.

fatigue.

"Everybody was saying that he's unbeatable, whatever," said Yzaga, who knew differently and now leads their rivalry, 3-2. "He's a great player, probably the best player in the world right now, and you have to play real, real well to beat him. But everybody is beata-

SIDELINES

A White House Strikeout

WASHINGTON (WP) — The White House has rejected a suggestion by federal mediators that President Bill Clinton appoint a prominent person, such as former President Carter or the former Secretary of State George Shultz, to arbitrate the baseball strike.

Both the White House and John C. Wells, director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, concluded that the "timing was not right," said a presidential aide, Bruce Lindsay.

For the Record

Bob Matheson, 49, a member of the "53 Defense" - named after his uniform number that helped the Miami Dolphins to three straight Super Bowls in the early 1970s, died after a long battle with Hodgkin's disease.

Taiwan, Roiling Asian Games, Says President to Attend Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches

TAIPEI - President Lee Tenghui of Taiwan announced Wednesday that he had accepted an invitation to attend the opening ceremony of next month's Asian Games in Hiroshima, which China has threatened to boycott if Lee

does attend. Taiwan's Foreign Minister, Fredrick Chien, said in a statement that Lee had decided to accept the controversial invitation extended this summer by Kuwait's Sheikh Ahmad al Fahad, president of the Olympic Council of Asia. China, with the biggest foreign

entry for the games, 568 athletes, not need to consult with Japan last week threatened to boycott if about the issue because the presi-Lee accepted the OCA invitation, dent was invited by the organizing while Sheikh Ahmad has refused to OCA. withdraw it on the grounds that athletics and politics should not be

There was no immediate reaction to Wednesday's announcement from Beijing or Tokyo. In Beijing. where the last games were held, a ceremonial flame was being lit for Japanese representatives to take to Hiroshima.

Taiwan's foreign ministry said Tokvo had been informed of Lee's decision, but also said that "we do

trip to Hiroshima is simply to attend an international sports event," Chien said through a foreign ministry spokesman, and "therefore, the trip has nothing to do with the relations between the Republic of China and Japan.

But, an a sign of Japan's concern that China might boycott. Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama stepped into the diplomatic row on Tuesday to remind Taipei that To-

kyo had a one-China policy that recognized Beijing.

Earlier, Taiwan warned that it might boycott the games if OCA "The purpose of President Lee's officials rescinded Lee's invitation under pressure from Beijing. Taiwan has entered 270 athletes. A record 7,300 athletes and offi-

cials from 42 nations are due to take part in the quadrennial sports event from Oct. 2 to 16, competing in 337 events in 34 sports.

Lee will fly to Japan by private plane and take part only in the opening ceremony, a foreign ministry spokesman said. (Reuters, AFP)

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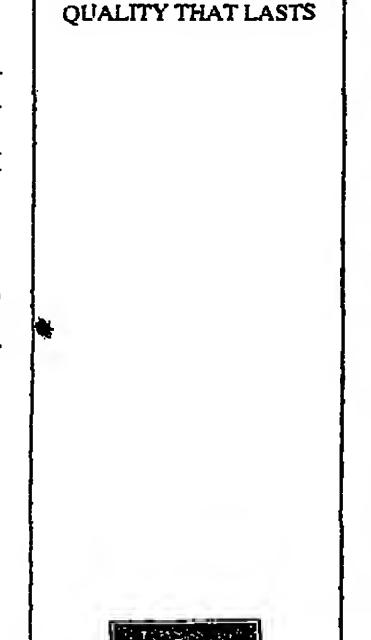
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canceled. Then white man ame and start-ed taking all What they didn't take they bought because, as they explained to

the Indians, Buchwald they needed second homes in the summertime to rest after dumping tea

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches with judges of the appeals court. DARIS — The Paris Opéra Chung was fired Aug. 12 for and its music director, refusing to renegotiate his con-Myung-Whun Chung, ended a tract, which runs to the year bitter monthlong dispute 2000. On Aug. 29, a judge or-Wednesday with an agreement dered the opera to reinstate that will allow Chung to conduct Chung so he could rehearse the the season's opener. The con- Sept. 19 premiere of Verdi's "Siductor would then leave with mon Boccanegra" at the Opéra compensatory damages stipulat- Bastille. A day later, Chung was

ed by his contract. to drop its appeal of a judge's 50,000 francs (about \$9,400) a ruling in favor of Chung. The day for each day Chung was compromise was worked out refused rehearsal time.

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dice. "The white man goes crazy when he sees a pair of dice and thinks he can roll any number he wants to. Now, pay attention: Do you know what the payoff is on a slot machine? The casino owner gets 98 percent and the person pulling the lever gets 2. There are millions of

"How does that get us our land back?" "With the money you win from them in the casino, you can buy your land back."

And so it was. By the full moon of 1999, all of Massachuwhite man was selling picture postcards of the cliffs and driving tourist buses to Gay Head.

blocked from entering the house. The opera house thus agreed The court then fined the opera

O.J. Simpson: The New National Pastime

By Howard Kurtz Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — "It seems clear," says "A Current Affair," "that O. J.'s defense team is in fact exploring the possibility of blaming the murders on Nicole's drug use, claiming she and Ron Goldman were killed by Colombian drug dealers."

"The Double Life of O. J. Simpson," says Newsweek, describing a man "who cruised bars and indulged in drugs and random sex. His wife believed he was a cocaine addict; his friends . . . thought his real addiction was white women."

"O. J.'s Women: Nobody Could Escape the Sex-Crazy Star," says the National Enquirer, quoting "leggy model Cheryl Lynn" as saying "O. J. attempted to make her his 'sex slave' by bribing her with a car and piles of cash."

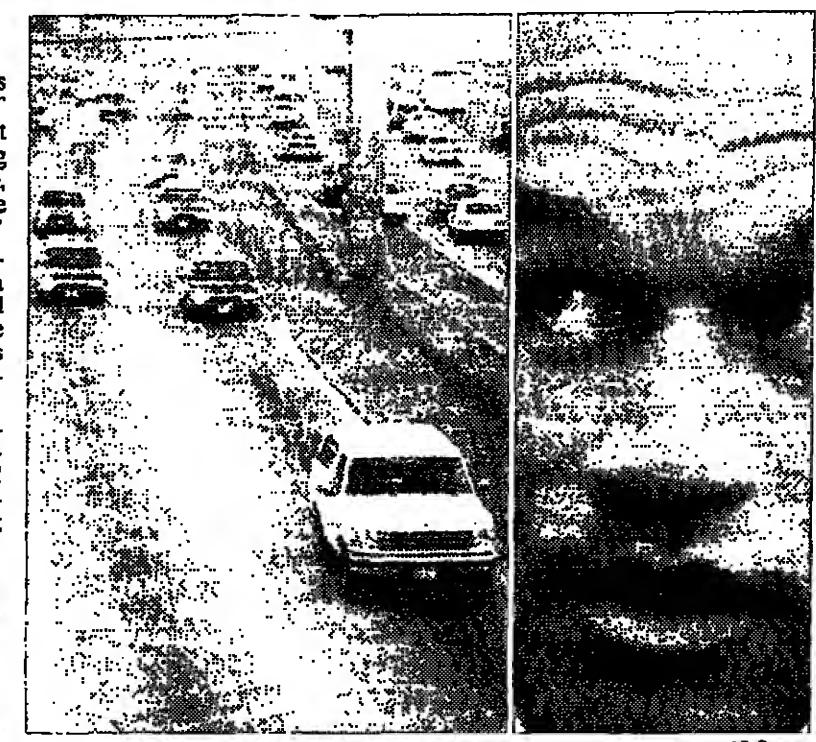
The images race by on the screen, the headlines shout from the newsstand, the conspiracy theories fill the talk-radio airwaves. With baseball on strike, O. J. has become the new national pastime, only with better ratings. And with Simpson's murder trial scheduled to begin this month, the most intensely covered criminal case in modern history is about to become an even bigger story.

"We've reached the saturation point," said Greta Van Susteren, who. like legions of other lawyers, analyzes the case on television. "I've heard so much I can't remember what I've heard. I can't remember what's true and what's a rumor."

Indeed, it now seems that no charge against Simpson, now matter how outlandish, is off-limits. Many attorneys say potential jurors have been influenced by this journalistic barrage, and it is clear that public perceptions of the former football star have been permanently altered, regardless of the trial's outcome.

As hundreds of journalists from around the world head to Los Angeles for a trial that may last until Christmas, the entire media landscape is about to be transformed.

While the networks will probably rely on hourly updates and live cutins, they are wary of ceding a substantial trial audience to the CNN and Court TV cable networks. NBC is considering providing a live daily feed from the trial that local affiliates can carry at their discretion. But some network executives worry that a West



Cut to the chase: The great O. J. media frenzy.

Coast trial could play havoc with East Coast news schedules.

"A real trial is about as interesting as watching paint dry," said Rick Kaplan, executive producer of ABC's "World News Tonight." "I don't think you can allow O. J. coverage to bump out health care and all the rest. If you start preempting the news, the only thing that happened in the world is O. J."

Ed Turner, CNN's executive vice president, says his network will carry every minute of the trial.

"We've found over the years that even though there are slow times, there is a certain fascination with watching a real drama unfold," he said. As for suggestions that CNN is exploiting the Simpson case for ratings. Turner said: "We have paid our dues with plenty of Nigerias and Somalias and Bosnias over the years."

Court TV's ratings increased fivefold during the preliminary hearing. and CNN's numbers tripled, which is why "Larry King Live" has aired more than 20 Simpson shows. USA Today, which has run more than 300 stories on the case, has seen its circulation jump by as much as 150,000 when Simpson is on the front page.

The public fascination with this tragedy remains as intense today as when Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald L. Goldman were murdered on June 12. "You can have a lot of complicated theories about it — it's a class thing, it's a race thing, it's a celebrity thing — but I just think it's a great story," said Evan Thomas, Newsweek's Washington bureau chief. Or as writer John Taylor put it

Lewis H. Lapham, editor of Harper's magazine, has written of television's attempt to elevate the saga: "Surely there had to be something more to the story, something important, for God's sake, some civilized message about sports, or the predicament of women, or racial prejudice, or the system of criminal justice -something that could be dressed up

in Esquire: "Everyone loves a good

in the costume of an issue." All these elements and more have been tossed into the journalistic Cuisinart. From Simpson friend Brian (Kato) Kaelin to the man who operated the camera at the preliminary hearings, from Simpson girlfriend Paula Barbieri (interviewed by Diane Sawyer) to the psychological impact on Nicole Simpson's dog, no tangential stone has been left unturned.

"You have a Larry King show about the O. J. judge, the O. J. this, the O. J. that," said Steven Brill, president of Court TV. "All that stuff will get to be too much, and people may get sick of it. Can someone explain what 'Entertainment Tonight' is doing with O. J.? The sole purpose of the show is so when you go to a commercial you can have a bumper showing the car chase."

The supermarket tabloids, not surprisingly, have engaged in a fair amount of hype. The Enquirer's "Secret Videotape Reveals O. J. KNIFE ATTACK" turned out to be from the Simpson TV pilot "Frogmen." The Globe's "O. J. Talks for First Time!" was a report on what he has supposedly told "prison pal Lyle Menendez." The Enquirer, which has 20 reporters on the story, reported the week after the murders that Simpson regularly stalked Nicole, that Nicole told Simpson she would never reconcile with him and that she went out for ice cream on the fateful evening - all details that have since surfaced in the mainstream press.

"We've been out in front of the coverage the whole way," said David Perel, an Enquirer editor. "Any detail that gives you more insight into what his life was like is relevant and important. It's one of the greatest celebrity stories we've ever seen."

Moreover, it was Newsweek that reported that Simpson allegedly attended orgies and that Simpson's father was a homosexual. "On this story, we're all tabloid," said the Scripps-Howard columnist Martin Schram.

The Enquirer, in a piece on "Marcia Clark's Tragic Secret Life," reported that the prosecutor's first husband was a professional backgammon player who was shot in the head by his best friend (accidentally, it turns out) after the couple's Tijuana, Mexico, divorce.

Ruth Seymour, general manager of KCRW public radio in Los Angeles, said she's had to defend her decision to intensively cover the Simpson saga.

"You have listeners who hate this story," she said. "I've had people calling up screaming. There are also journalists who hate this story because of its sensationalism." But, she said, "it's about race and sex and class and the LAPD and Hollywood — it's got ev-

WEEKEND DESTINATIONS

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Charles Is Not Amused By Beefcake in Bild

Prince Charles is said to be furious over a photograph of him nearly nude that was print? ed Wednesday in the German ang what steps to take. The picture of Charles, on vacation at a French château, with instance of charles are considerable. robe draped over his shoulder. left little to the imagination. "You can compare it with the David of Michelangelo," Paul Martin, deputy editor of Bild, told BBC radio in justifying his decision to publish the photograph on the front page. And the Daily Mirror reports that the photo will also be printed in the French magazine Paris Match] on Thursday.

An appeals court in North

Carolina has upheld a \$487,000
judgment against the Balance born actor Jean Claude Vad gent in an injury that left another actor partially blind. Jackson Pinckney, a soldier hired to play a villain in the film "Cyborg." was stabbed in his left eye with rubber knife during the filming.

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The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington has named five artists who will receive its 1994 honors for lifetime contributions to American culture: the actor Kirk Douglas, the singer Aretha Franklin, the composer Morton Gould, producer and director Harold Prince and the folk singer and songwriter Pete Seeger. They will be saluted at a performance and fund-raiser at the Kennedy Center on Dec. 4.

Almost three years after the death of singer-actor Yves Montand, a court has ruled that he was the father of a young woman who, along with her mother, has battled for such recognition since 1989. A Paris court found that Aurore Drossart, now 19, was Montand's daughter. Her mother is Anne Fleurange, an actress who was Montand's friend during the 1970s. Montand died in November 1991.

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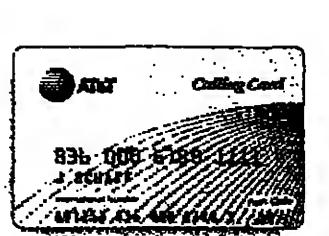
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